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for
A Happy Christmas

Christmas Message of Canadian National Railways President

Expresses Thanks to all Ranks for Their Enthusiasm and Co-operation

Through the medium of the Canadian National Railways Magazine, Sir Henry W. Thornton has addressed the following Christmas message to all members of the company. "Now that another year has rolled by I want to express my deepest appreciation of everything you have done during this year. We have faced obstacles together and we have overcome them, we have encountered odds and have beaten them; we have been earnest and cheerful through it all and nothing but success can be the reward of such efforts. "To those of you who come in contact with the travelling public and those on whom depends the obtaining of freight traffic, I want to voice my appreciation of your work. Courtesy and service, a willingness to do a little bit more than is absolutely necessary have won for us friends and business. Our competition in the great fight for business has been clean and wholesome and those who have been waging it in the open have been heartily supported by those in the background—that unseen army of Canadian National employees who have been making it possible to render a service that improves with each day. I refer to those outside the traffic department. Whether a man's duties lie in shoveling snow from a station platform or in making the roadbed of a section a little smoother, he is giving a service which is appreciated.

"Conditions during the past year have not been of the best anywhere in the world, and Canada has come in for her share of depression, but with brighter visions ahead and a spirit such as permeates the Canadian National family, we will face the coming year with enthusiasm and courage, and through our determination each of us will justify the work he has done during 1924 and the work to be done during the coming year.

"At this time I want to take the opportunity to wish you all A Merry Christmas and A Happy and Prosperous New Year."

Signed, H. W. Thornton

R. D. Purdy, Assistant Manager of the Bank of Montreal at Edmonton, has been appointed to the position of Manager of the Alberta Wheat Pool in succession to the late Chester Elliot. Mr. Purdy takes over his new duties on January 1 1925.

Oyen Agriculture Society Elect Officers for 1925

At the annual general meeting of the Oyen Agricultural Society held recently, the following officers and directors were elected for the coming year.

President, Dr. J. P. Kerr; 1st Vice-president, Alf Gibson; 2nd Vice president, Frank McNee.

Directors—W. J. Ada, R. Cates, K. G. Dalgliesh, P. Lees, A. M. McQuarrie, G. Schmitt, E. H. Church, Geo. Mehl, A. J. Banks, J. J Kelly, C. D. McMillan, R. E. Gillespie, D. E. May, D. Warwick, F. C. Auston, G. S. Peck, H. M. Rogan, John Othen, Mrs. W. H. Baker, Mrs. Harvey Johnson, Mrs. J. C. Idhe, Mrs. C. S. Wright, Mrs. R. E. Gillespie, and Mrs. Thomas Lees.

Fairs Association Officers For 1925

At the annual meeting of the Oyen Fairs Association, recently held, the following officers were elected for 1925.

President, R. Cates; Directors; R. Cates, R. E. Gillespie, A. M. Mc Quarrie, William Ada and J. P. Kerr. Secretary-Treasurer, J. P. Kerr.

Road work in 1924

About 400 miles of main highways were completed in Alberta during 1924 under the five-year program authorized by the Legislature last session, which contemplates a total expenditure of $3,500,000. The work was done on the chief tourist highways in the Province, and as a result a total of $250,000 has been earned by the Province of the Federal aid grant. Next year's program comtemplates the building of about 500 miles of highway. The Department of Public Works will concentrate next year more on the bringing of roads up to standard rather than building an extended program of clay roads. Work is also being done on the Jasper Highway and the Peace River Highway.

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for 1925

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Conditions Are Essentially Sound

With the closing of one year and the incoming of a new year it is customary for business institutions and individuals to take stock of their present position and ascertain whether progress has been recorded, whether assets or liabilities have increased, and, generally, whether their position is stronger or weaker than at the beginning of the twelve-month period. It is not only natural that this stocktaking should be done, but it is eminently wise. But if it is to be of full value, it must be searching in character and absolutely honest. No camouflage should be tolerated.

In last week's article in this column, a forward look was attempted and the conclusion reached that prospects in Canada were bright for improvement during 1935, providing the people of Canada displayed continued confidence in themselves and the resources of their country, and threw themselves with unremitting energy into the task of developing those resources for their own use and to supply foreign markets. Later reports from all quarters serve to strengthen this view.

In order, however, to obtain a true conception of present-day conditions, it is necessary to look back over a longer period than one year. Just six years have elapsed since the World War ended, and the titanic conflict which turned the world upside down for nearly five years ended in victory for the Allies. During those years of tremendous destruction of life and property the pendulum swung to the extreme in one direction. During the last six years it has swung to the extreme in the other direction, as was inevitable. It is now gradually getting back to normal.

When one stops to consider the world situation at the close of 1918 with millions of men still under arms, to be transported to their homes, demobilized and absorbed into the occupations of civilian life; with the world's whole industrial organization to be re-converted from the channels of the arts and sciences of peace; with inflated values for commodities of all kinds to be restored to normal levels; with all the destruction of war to be made good, and all the aftermath of war to be cleaned up, it is little short of marvellous that so much has been accomplished and conditions are as satisfactory as they now are, six years later.

It could not be otherwise than that there should be periods of discouragement and depression, unemployment and hard times, with their accompaniment of distress, suffering and loss during this time of reconstruction and readjustment. But the marvel is not that full recovery has not been more quickly achieved, but that so much has been accomplished without greater unrest, more prolonged depression, and more severe losses.

Instead of the people of Canada feeling discouraged and despondent because of conditions as they exist today, they should rather be encouraged and profoundly thankful, and filled with confidence for the future solidly based on the really wonderful recovery of the past few years.

These years of adversity, tying and difficult as they have been, have not been without value. In the long run those who have displayed courage and tenacity, fought their economic battles and hung grimly on, will reap their reward, and Canada will be the better for the struggle through which it has, and still is, passing.

Recent years have proven that these Western Provinces are capable of producing great crops. Some districts may be adversely affected one year, and other districts in other years. But the country as a whole is sound and capable of producing enormous wealth, and with a resumption of normal world conditions—and this normalcy becomes more evident with each passing year—there is no cause for pessimism nor doubt as to the future.

Methods and conditions are, and must, constantly be changing, and our people must accept and meet these. For example, not so many years ago Western Canada was a butter importing country; today it exports millions of pounds of butter annually. Western Canada used to import turkeys for Thanksgiving and Christmas; now it exports them by the carload to Eastern and United States markets.

Immigration, which came to a stop during the war and was halted for some years by after-war conditions, is rapidly rising, and with the stringent "quota" restrictions now imposed by the United States, the tide is turning towards this Dominion, so that we may expect an ever-increasing influx of new population and new wealth.

Instead of talking hard times and depression, Canadians at the opening of the New Year should, after taking a backward glance, turn their faces forward with hope and confidence. Compared with most countries, Canada is indeed fortunate and blessed. If people will, if they will, carry it and themselves a long way onward on the road to good times and an all-round satisfactory degree of development and prosperity."

Want Penny Postage

Canadian Board of Trade to Carry on Campaign to This End

It is understood that one of the activities which the boards of trade in Canada will carry on this coming year is for a reduction in letter postage in Canada to two cents and the same weight as before the war. This, it is felt, will be a great help to the promotion of business of Canadian firms and would be a great help to extension of trade in all parts of the world. This plan will be in line with the work taken up already in Great Britain by the chamber of commerce, the return to penny postage; the present rate on an ounce letter is "tuppence ha'penny."

Penny postage to Canada, United States, France, Italy, Germany and the West Indies without further delay will be advocated. This benefit to the trade of Canada will be supported on this side of the water and the present minister of commerce at Ottawa is heartily in favor of the proposal.

Women Lawyers Forge Ahead

One Wins Case In English Court Of Criminal Appeal

Women barristers as counsel in court cases are forging ahead in this country. Miss Ida Duncan has just won a case in the court of criminal appeal, where she appeared as counsel for two men who had been convicted of housebreaking. Then court of appeal quashed the convictions. Miss E. Healing was counsel for an erring wife in divorce proceedings in a Manchester court, but she was not so fortunate as her sister barrister, Miss Duncan, as she did not succeed in her case.

Frost Bites

Minard's takes the sting out of them. Quickens circulation and prevents complications.

MINARD'S "KING OF PAIN" LINIMENT

Anxious to Visit Ranch in Alberta

Princess Mary Wishes to Make Canadian Trip Unofficial

There is a strong possibility that Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles may pay an unofficial visit to Canada in the not very far distant future. It is understood that the Princess has for some time been anxious to visit the western ranch owned by her brother, the Prince of Wales. A royal visit is not an easy matter to arrange or carry through, but Her Royal Highness, it is understood, wishes to make the trip quite informally in much the same fashion as the last visit to the Dominion of the Prince himself. It is probable that an opportunity will be given to the Princess to see her brother's Canadian home, as the Prince is anxious she should do. The Duke and Duchess of York, who have gone to South Africa have also expressed a desire to visit Canada and will probably be able to gratify it within a year or two.

Scientist Performs Wonderful Operation

Transplants Living Heart From One Salamander to Another

A living, beating heart has at last been transplanted from one living body to another.

Dr. Stohr, of Wurzburg, Bavaria, is the scientist who has accomplished this feat. The experiment was performed on two embryo salamanders. Dr. Stohr not only transplanting the heart from one to another, but also succeeding in keeping both organs alive and functioning in the same body for some time.

Although there is a wide gap between salamanders and man, it is the hope of scientists that the same operation may be accomplished in the case of man.

Land and to Spare

Of the 300 million acres in Canada fit for farming, one-third is in farm holding; only one-sixth is cultivated; and 250 million acres await the plow.

The first newspaper advertisement offered a reward for the return of a lost horse in London.

Papua, only 400 miles from Australia, is overrun by cannibals.

U.S. Fleet To Visit Australia

May Have Effect On British Shipbuilding Is Opinion

The news that practically the whole of the United States scouting cruiser squadron, consisting entirely of ships of the new 7,700-ton type, is going to visit Australia early in the new year, may have more effect on British shipbuilding than appears likely at first sight.

It will be remembered, however, that this visit made the Australians think seriously of naval defence, and led to the construction of the Australia and New Zealand, as well as the smaller cruisers of the Sydney type. It may very well be that a visit carried out by the scouting cruiser squadron, six or eight brand new vessels of the highest speed, capable of going all over the world, and especially adapted for cruising work and cutting command cations, will have a similar effect.—Liverpool Journal of Commerce.

PAINS IN THE JOINTS

Is An Indication That The Blood Is Thin and Watery

The first sign of rheumatism is frequently a pain and swelling of one of the joints. If this is not treated through the blood, which is the seat of the disease, the poison spreads, affecting other joints and tissues—sometimes rheumatism attacks the heart and is fatal.

A remedy that has corrected many cases of rheumatism is Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. These pills enrich and purify the blood so that the poisonous rheumatic matter is driven out of the system as nature intended. Miss Gertie Denne, Washago, Ont., was attacked with rheumatism, and found relief through Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. She says: "About a year ago I was attacked by rheumatism and for two weeks was confined to my bed. The trouble was so painful, affecting the joints of my limbs so that I could not stand alone. Mother had a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in the house and thought they might help me. I began taking them, and when I had taken these pills got a further supply, with the result that the rheumatism vanished and I was a well girl. I may add that my mother and two of my sisters have also used the pills for various ailments with equal success, and now we are never without them in the house."

If you are suffering from any condition due to poor, watery blood, or weak nerves, begin taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills now, and note how your strength and health will improve. You can get these pills through any dealer in medicine, or by mail, at 50 cents a box, from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Britain Gets Valuable Order

Electrical Company Secures Contract From Sydney Suburban Railway

The Metropolitan-Vickers Electrical Company, Ltd., of Trafford Park, Manchester, have secured a contract for the electrical equipment for the Sydney, New South Wales, Suburban Railway's electrification.

The order amounts to nearly $2,500,000. The company won it in spite of keen competition from America and other quarters.

Miller's Worm Powders will clear the stomach and bowels of worms, so that the child will no more be troubled by their ravages. The powders are pleasant to the taste and no child will object to taking them. They are non-injurious in their composition, and while in some cases they may cause vomiting, that must not be taken as a sign that they are nauseating, but as an indication of their effective work.

B.C. Exports Railway Ties

It is stated that an order for 1,500,000 cedar ties for the Sudan has been placed with small B.C. mills outside the association in the province for January-February delivery. Great Britain has been seeking to place an order for 20,000,000 feet of ties and it is now reported fixed. British Columbia mills were able to take 9,000,000 feet.

Long planned, an overseas highway between Key West and the mainland of Florida is soon to be a reality, the work having been begun. The highway will approximate a distance of 150 miles.

WALKED THE FLOOR FOR HOURS
NERVES WERE SO BAD

Wherever there are people who are troubled with deranged nerves they will find in Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, a remedy that will restore the equilibrium of these deranged centres and bring back the shattered nervous system to a perfect condition.

Mr. W. W. Authouse, Woodrous, Ont., writes:—"After having a severe attack of bronchitis I was left in a very weak, run down condition; my nerves were all broken up; could not sleep at night, and would have to get up and walk the floor for hours. "After using a box of

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I began to feel much better, and after taking a few more boxes I could enjoy my rest as well as I ever did. I always recommend them to all my friends."

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Will Not Conclude Treaty

Britain Will Not Sign Pact While Russia Continues Propaganda

Great Britain, under the Conservative Government, will refuse to conclude any treaty with Russia so long as the Soviet Union continues its propaganda in the British Empire. That is the dictum laid down by Sir William Joynson-Hicks, home minister.

Replying to criticism from Laborites in the House of Commons on the authenticity of the now famous Zinovieff letter, the home minister declared:

"The cabinet has satisfied itself as to the genuineness of the letter. The Laborites ask us to accept the Russian treaty terms to prevent an outbreak of Communism in Britain. If Russia wants to befriend us, let her begin by halting her world-wide propaganda. Let her cease propaganda in Egypt, India and throughout the Empire, in trying to raise rebellion against us. There will be no treaty with Russia so long as she continues her propaganda."

The Egyptian Affair

A determination to Exact What Is Due To British Majesty

We are past the days of yielding to intimidating demonstrations on the part of peoples animated by hate of the British name. Not only is there now in London a government that will uphold British prestige, but that government is backed by the British people, who have grown weary of the policy of making sacrifices of British honor to placate would-be destroyers of the Empire. A manifestation of British spirit, and, if necessary, a display of British force, is the most wholesome influence that can be brought to bear upon agents of Britain's enemies. The action of the British Government in this case produced throughout the Empire a feeling of relief, a sense of satisfaction at the return to British councils of a determination to exact what is due to British majesty.—Toronto Mail and Empire.

The Mighty Atom

Discovery of New, Tremendous Source Of Energy Is Indicated

Electric energy of immense and mysterious potency, which may presage a new source of industrial power, has been discovered by Prof. J. W. Wall, of Sheffield University, during research on the structure of the atom.

Prof. Wall has been trying to smash an atom and so far has succeeded in dividing or "splitting" one. Two definite and remarkable results came of the experiment, Wall said.

The split atom is producing an amount of electric current. The second phenomenon is that steel, when placed in the field of this current, becomes excessively and unaccountably magnetized. Prof. Wall believes he may have tapped a hitherto unknown source of energy.

Alberta Captures Prizes

Scores Heavily In the Timothy and Alfalfa Seed Class at Chicago

Canadian exhibitors at the International Hay and Grain Show at Chicago scored heavily in the timothy and alfalfa seed classes. In the alfalfa seed competition, Nick Chjelta, of Brooks, Alberta, won first place from Idaho planters, while 10th, 12th, 14th and 15th places also went to Alberta farmers. In timothy, first honors went to a Montana farmer, but the next two awards went to A. Hochstein, of Pincher Creek, Alberta, and Robert Cordiane, of Grande Prairie, Alberta, respectively. Seven other awards went to Alberta exhibitors.

Heads Elevator Company

Hon. J. A. Maharg Is Re-elected President of Sask. Co-op.

The Hon J. A. Maharg was re-elected president of the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator Company at the first annual meeting of the new board held at the company offices in Regina.

J. B. Musselman, vice-president, W. C. Mills, secretary, and S. G. Lothian, treasurer, were also returned to office by the new board. Mr. Mills was appointed to succeed Thomas Sales on the executive committee with Mr. Maharg and Mr. Musselman.

Soviets Encourage Settlement

The Soviet Government has allocated 400,000 acres of land in the Volga and Northern Caucasian regions for settlement by Russians returning from Canada and the United States. The returning colonists will be encouraged to establish agricultural stations and develop the soil generally.

Descendent of King William IV.

A great great granddaughter of King William IV. of England has just been appointed head of tre sports department of a Paris dressmaking establishment. She is the Vicomtesse Henri de Janze, the young English wife of a French nobleman.

Minard's Liniment Relieves Neuralgia

INVENTORS

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Canada's Southern Area

Vegetation in the Carolinian Zone In Southwestern Ontario

Few persons have the opportunity or the time to study Canada as this country deserves. Visitors have been heard to say they did not know we had such universally favorable weather conditions or such a variety of climate; even our own people are largely unfamiliar with many of its most interesting features. For instance, in Southwestern Ontario, south of a line running from Toronto to Goderich we have what is known as the Carolinian zone, so-called on account of the similarity of the vegetation with that of the southern Atlantic States. In this area are many forms of vegetation that occur nowhere else in Canada. It is known as the fruit belt, and it is fully settled and intensively farmed. The few remaining trees are characteristic of the original forest such as sycamore, chestnut, black walnut and certain species of oak and hickory.

Among the plants which are peculiar to certain localities in this area are sassafras, red mulberry, tulip trees, flowering dogwood and others. There are over 100 varieties of herbaceous vegetation growing in this Carolinian zone that grow nowhere else in Canada, but many of these are now practically eradicated by cultivation.

It is interesting to note that Pelee Island, the most southerly point of Canada is 135 miles south of the latitude of Toronto.

The Natural Resources Intelligence Service of the Department of the Interior has a very interesting vegetation and forest cover map, which may be had on application to the director.

Free Paint Book For the Children

Every Child Will Want a Copy of "Tommy Tompkins Painting Book"

Xmas is not far off. Oxo Limited this year again are helping mothers reduce the cost of filling Xmas stockings by offering a very attractive little painting book, entitled "Tommy Tompkins Painting Book" in return for four Oxo Cube wrappers.

It is filled with pictures showing how Tommy won a ring distance race; how he won fame at cricket, football, boxing, wrestling; what he did when his automobile broke down in a big race and how he succeeded in keeping at the head of his class in school, etc., etc. To secure this painting book you need only buy a small tin of four Oxo Cubes, the outlay being very small, and as Oxo Cubes are really daily necessities in the home your interest in this offer will reward you in two ways. "The Mighty Atom" are always ready for making beef tea and consomme and to put flavor and meat strength into soups, stews, hash, and meat pies. Ask any grocer, every store of course carries them, and mail the wrappers to Tommy Tomkins, Oxo Limited, 232 Lemoine St., Montreal, P.Q., and your copy will be forwarded by return in time for placing in the Xmas stocking.

Alberta Pool Manager

R. D. Purdy, of Edmonton, Succeeds the Late Chester Elliott

R. D. Purdy, assistant manager of the Bank of Montreal at Edmonton, has been appointed manager of the Alberta Wheat Pool in succession to the late Chester Elliott.

Mr. Purdy was born in Brighton, Ont., and joined the Merchants Bank as junior at the age of seventeen in 1906. Five years later, still a clerk, he came west to Edmonton and has been there ever since. At the amalgamation of the Merchants Bank with the Dominion he accompanied his manager, Frank Pike, to the local office of the Montreal. Although only 35 years old, Mr. Purdy has shown his ability as a banker.

Totems In Paris

Two totem poles, said to have been imported from Alaska, have been set up in front of the entrance of a boulevard cafe in Paris. The proprietor says the strange ornaments have attracted much trade to the place. The poles bear the strange, ugly faces of Indian gods.

Idolatry Of Criminals

If Chicago devoted as much time to law enforcement as to observing a gangster's funeral, the number of these obsequies would be materially reduced. — Birmingham Age-Herald.

Radio For Patients

Radio equipment is to be installed in 30 of the 43 war veteran hospitals in the United States.

Minard's Liniment for Colds

Radio Secrecy Is Assured

Tapping Prevented By New System of Transmission

A new system of transmitting by wireless commercial news, which is directly transferred from a typewriter in the transmitting station to the tape which spins out written characters in the receiving office has been discovered.

An important part of the new invention is that it is secret, and "tapping" can be prevented.

The discovery is due to two German scientists.

Absolute secrecy is obtained by reason of the fact that countless combinations can be used at will. The receiving station adapts itself to the change automatically, so that in the event of any suspicion arising that messages are being tapped, their method of dispatch can be immediately altered.

Many Britishers Coming

Over 600 Applications Under New Assisted Immigration Plan

Advices from London are that although on sailings will be permitted before the middle of March, already over 600 applications have been received under Hon. James A. Robb's agreement with the Imperial Government by which Great Britain will lend finadcial assistance to 2,000 approved British families taking up Canadian government-owned farms.

A number of these families have been approved, and the work of selection is proceeding satisfactorily under direction of Canadian officials in the Old Land.

All the approved have had farming experience, and have personal capital to provide for their needs until they have become established.

No More Asthma. Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy sounds the death knell of this trying trouble. It stops the awful choking and painful breathing. It guards against night attacks and gives renewed ability to sleep and rest the whole night long. Much is claimed for this remedy, but nothing but what can be demonstrated by a trial. If you suffer from asthma try it and convince yourself of its great value.

Discover Underground River

Stream Under Mont Blanc Has Many Fine Cascades

An underground river passing under Mont Blanc has recently been discovered and may prove to be one of the sources of the Seine. The river, which is as considerable, is said to contain many fine grottos and cascades. It is thought that this underground stream is the source of many rivers flowing through Switzerland, Germany and Austria.

Historical Relics

Among a multitude of royal and historical relics, King Charles the First's table cutlery, worn at his execution, was sold by Mr. Stevens for $1,050, while the spear that killed Gordon went for $150.

Roads Not To Blame

English magazines note an increase of automobiles accidents due, they say, to the fact that English roads are narrow and crooked. Our increase is due to the fact that our roads are wide and straight.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

MRS. MARY GRAY

CANADIAN MOTHERS, YOU SHOULD BE HEALTHY AND HAPPY!

Vancouver, B. C.—"Motherhood left me a physical and nervous wreck. I was so weak I could scarcely get around and was too nervous to sleep. I had headaches and backaches all the time and distressing pains in my side—my health was entirely gone. I doctored but got no relief to speak of until I began taking Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, and before I had taken all of one bottle I was much improved, and by the time I was completely restored to health. Have had two fine, healthy children since. Had it not been for Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription I don't know what I would have done."—Mrs. Mary Gray, 726 Homer Street.

What Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription has done for other mothers, it will do for you. Get it this very day from your neighborhood druggist, in either liquid or tablet form, and write Dr. Pierce's Invalids Hotel in Buffalo, N. Y., for free, confidential medical advice. Send 10 cents to Dr. Pierce's Laboratory, Bridgeburg, Ont., if you wish a trial package of tablets.

PARLIAMENT AT OTTAWA TO OPEN ON FEBRUARY 5

Ottawa.—Parliament will open on Thursday, February 5, Premier King announced at a Cabinet meeting. The date of opening is almost a month earlier than last year, when Parliament was summoned on the last day of February. The coming session will be the fourth of the present Government, and of the fourteenth Parliament, since Confederation.

The session will probably last well into the summer months, and with a subsequent general election in the balance. Since last session, the standing of the parties has changed but little.

The coming session promises to be historic. Premier King on a number of occasions has announced the intention of the Government to bring down a constitutional amendment to limit the veto powers of the Senate, just as the Parliament Act of Great Britain limited the veto powers of the Lords. But such a constitutional amendment will only be brought about—such is the general expectation—after a long and bitter fight. In both Houses, opponents are expected to fight it on the ground that there should be amendment of the Confederation agreement embodied in the British North America Act without prior consent of the federating provinces.

Saskatchewan Mine Purchased

Arsenical Iron Mine Acquired By American Financiers

The Pas, Man.—A half-million dollar deal to purchase an arsenical iron mine, known as the Little Nell group of seven claims at Beaver Lake, Sask., has just been effected between the owners, A. J. and J. W. Collette, of The Pas, Man., and several wealthy American financiers of Des Moines, Iowa. The terms agreed upon are that $100,000 be paid to Collette Bros. within a period of two years and that during this time the balance of $400,000 in machinery and improvement work be invested in the mine.

Arsenic, which is now being purchased in huge quantities as an exterminator of the "boll weevil," so ruinous to the cotton fields of the Southern States, is in great demand, and it is believed that many great arsenical iron ore bodies in the northern parts of Canada are already under option to large American concerns who will soon develop them into producing mines.

Insurrection Growing

Three Former Albanian Premiers Sentenced to Death

Belgrade.—The insurrection in Albania is making rapid progress, according to the latest press dispatches which say that the Catholic Mirdite and Malissore tribes have joined the movement and that the Tirana Government has proclaimed martial law at Podgadets. The rebel front is said to extend from Malessia as far as Dibra.

Three former Albanian premiers, and a former minister were sentenced to death by default by a political tribunal.

Honors Woodrow Wilson

U.S. Congress Hears Address On Late President's Achievements

Washington.—The United States Congress paused in its activities to honor the memory of former President Woodrow Wilson. Members of the Senate and the House gathered with President Coolidge and his Cabinet and invited guests in the chamber of the House and heard Dr. Edwin Alderman, President of the University of Virginia, President Wilson's alma mater, deliver an address outlining the life and achievements of the war-time president.

Flour For Soviets

120,000 Barrels Of Canadian Flour Shipped to Russia

New York.—Two full cargoes of Canadian flour, aggregating 120,000 barrels, were sold here for immediate shipment to Russia.

Shippers believe that this demand is a definite evidence of shortage in bread grains in that important producing country.

College Residence Burned

Saskatoon.—Fire caused by an overheated furnace pipe gutted a six-roomed residence at Emmanuel Anglican College at the University of Saskatchewan. About $500 damage was done, which was covered fully by insurance. Nine students occupying the building suffered loss of books and personal effects.

Discuss Problems Dealing With Loans

Winnipeg.—For discussion of mutual problems to cultivate a better understanding between the borrower and the lender, and, if possible, to devise means whereby improved conditions may be brought about, representatives of the farmers, mortgage companies and provincial governments of the three prairie provinces were in conference here. The meeting was under the auspices of the Canadian Council of Agriculture and the Mortgage Loans Association.

Cold Weather Stories

When It Was So Cold That the Mercury Froze

Lethbridge, Alberta.—Recalling cold records of the past, J. H. Higinbotham, old-timer and raconteur extraordinary, says that in December, 1884, it was 56 degrees below zero and froze a bottle of mercury into a lump.

"In that terrible winter it froze coal oil, red ink and seven-year-old whiskey." Mr. Higinbotham does not attempt to explain how it happened that the whiskey was allowed to freeze.

In 1893, the old Turkey Trail train left Lethbridge for Medicine Hat on February 1, arriving at its destination March 17, Mr. Higinbotham's diary shows.

MAY LOWER RATE ON LIVESTOCK TO GREAT BRITAIN

Winnipeg.—"I am very hopeful that freight rates on cattle from Canada to Great Britain will be reduced before long, so that exporters will be enabled to send over the light type of steer that is so greatly in favor on the other side," stated Dr. J. H. Grisdale, deputy minister of agriculture, in an interview here.

Dr. Grisdale said negotiations looking toward a reduced rate had been carried on in the Old Country for some time, and declared that if the rate could be cut to $15 per head it would mean a great deal to the cattle trade, and soon result in the establishment of a market for steers ranging from 800 to 1,000 pounds.

Discussing a possible shortage of beef cats, Dr. Grisdale said:

"My department does not at present favor government action in the matter, but many people seem to think there will be a shortage, and during the last two or three days I have received wires to this effect from Saskatchewan."

During his trip to Calgary, where he attended the sessions of the Western Canadian Livestock Union, the deputy minister found the farmers feeling much more hopeful in regard to future conditions in Western Canada. "This is most gratifying, and augurs well for the future, especially when one considers that a short time ago the farmers had almost been knocked off their feet," said Dr. Grisdale.

Celebrate Coming Of Age Of Airplane

First Flight Made By Wright Brothers Dec. 17, 1903

London.—The coming of age of the airplane, Dec. 17, the 21st anniversary of Orville Wright's first flight in a power driven, heavier than air, machine, at Kittyhawk, N.C., was made a conspicuous feature in the London newspapers which gave much space to this first accomplishment together with pictures of the Wright brothers and their machine.

The Daily Mail printed a message from Orville Wright. In this the inventor modestly screens his own achievement behind the remarkable subsequent performances of the airplane, of which he says, he and his brother never dreamed in 1903.

Spillers Exporting Grain

Vancouver—Spillers have commenced export of Western Canadian grain from their big elevator here, 10,000 bushels having been loaded on the steamship Tenpalaan, Maru. The plant has at present a loading capacity of 15,000 bushels an hour.

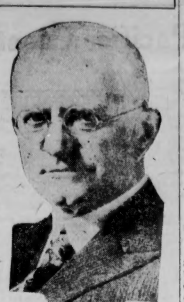
Establish Office In Holland

Montreal.—W. Van Heeckeren, who has had wide experience with farms in Western Canada has been appointed Canadian Pacific Railway agent at Rotterdam, Holland. He will point out to prospective emigrants the advantage of farming in Canada.

Flour Price Advances

Vancouver.—Family patent flour has advanced 30 cents a barrel here to $10.65. Higher prices of wheat is the cause, it is stated.

A Public Benefactor



George Eastman, Kodak King, who has just given stock valued at 15,000,000 to various educational institutions. Eastman is a self-made man.

Healthier Class Of Immigrants Now Coming

Ottawa.—The regulations requiring the medical examination of European immigrants have proven most satisfactory and today there is a high standard of health among new arrivals in Canadian ports, Dr. J. A. Amyot, deputy minister of health, told the Dominion council of health here at the final meeting of a three-day conference. The $200 fine on steamship companies for bringing diseased persons to Canada has been very effective, he said.

Raises Tuition

University Of Toronto Decides To Increase Rates

Toronto.—It was announced here by Sir Robert Falconer president of the University of Toronto, that the board of governors of the university has decided to increase the annual tuition fee for students in university college from $40 to $75, the increase to go into effect in September, 1925. The university fee for examination remains at $10, so that the combination fee will be $85 instead of $50 as at present.

AS THE three wise men rode on that first Christmas to find the manger-cradled Babe of Bethlehem, they bore gifts on their saddle bows; gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. And so the spirit of Christmas giving crept into the world's heart.

The injunction was to go into the highways and byways and seek out the poor and distressed, the humble and afflicted, the ragged children and the outcasts and the aged, and in the name of Him who was born on Christmas day, carry some sunshine into their lives. Give unto the poor and afflicted and your hearts shall glow with that peace which passeth understanding.

The two dominant characteristics of the Christmas season are kindness, expressed by good will toward men, and the inward joy wrought by kind acts, and suggested by peace on earth. "The earth has grown old with its burden of care, but at Christmas it always is young," and with each recurring Yuletide we like to think of the spiritual blessings brought to the children of men on that first Christmas.

Our greeting to you is one of kindness in return for the good will you have displayed toward us. Our wish is that you may be filled with the fresh, clean joys of the season and receive a liberal endowment of that spirit which at this time rises like a mighty flood over the world.

THE PUBLISHERS

More Flour For Export

Growth of Canadian Industry Shown In Larger Traffic Down Lakes

Winnipeg.—Particularly as regards freight handling, the business of the past season was exceptionally brisk on the Canadian Pacific Great Lakes steamship service. For the first time since 1913 the Canadian Pacific was able to keep its whole fleet of package freighters going continuously throughout the seven months which constitute the Great Lakes season. An outstanding feature of the season's handling was the very large increase in export flour business. Of the 200,000 tons of flour carried down by the Canadian Pacific steamers, it is estimated that 75 per cent. of it was destined for export. This fact is not without interest as it points to a phase of industrial development in Canada.

Plan Radio Debate

Montreal.—An inter-collegiate debate through the air will be a novelty of the near future if a challenge to United States universities, broadcast by McGill University through station "CHYC" here, is accepted.

It is understood that negotiations are already under way with New England institutions.

Impressive Service For Samuel Gompers

Thousands Stood In Streets Unable To Gain Admittance

New York.—Impressive funeral services were held for Samuel Gompers at the Elks Club, after which the body was taken to Tarrytown for interment in historic Sleepy Hollow Cemetery.

The great assembly hall of New York Lodge No. 1, draped in the mourning purple of the order, was crowded to capacity.

Fifteen hundred persons, unable to gain admittance into the hall, assembled in the town hall across the street and heard the services by radio. Other thousands stood reverently in nearby streets.

Alberta House Opening

Edmonton—That the legislature will not meet until February is now the probability. It had been anticipated by the government that an early January session would be called, but the delay occurring in the natural resources conference and Premier Greenfield's detention in the east for a longer time than he expected, have ruled out any possibility of holding to even the approximate time first hoped for.

Saskatchewan Liquor Bill

Amendments Dealing With Number of Places For Sale of Liquor

Regina.—Several amendments to the Liquor Bill dealing with the number of places for sale of hard liquor and quantities of liquor that may be purchased by the individual were approved by the legislature in committee. They provide for the following changes:

Power to the board to increase the number of places from which hard liquor and wine may be sold to a maximum of 25 in the province.

Reduction of the daily quantities that may be sold to the individual from four to two gallons of beer and from two to one gallon of wine.

Power to the board to increase a single sale to an individual to ten gallons of wine and two gallons of hard liquor with 14-day intervals between sales to the same individual.

Power to the board to adopt a permit system for sale to individuals if right contained in clause 3 is abused.

Millerand Opens Campaign

Former French President In Open Warfare Against Herriot Government

Paris.—Former President Millerand has opened his campaign against the Herriot Government in earnest.

At a banquet of 1,200 covers attended by members of the National Republican League, the former president and premier delivered a lengthy fighting speech which was cheered to the echo, in which he outlined his plans and invited all Republicans to join him in forming a centre bloc with the object of controlling the French Parliament.

The present government was declared to "threaten the order, finances and security of the country." It was dominated by the revolutionary Socialist party which had declined to assume an appearance of power, but which possessed the substance.

Endorses Merit System

Most Successful and Efficient One For Public Service Says Coolidge

Washington.—A statement by President Coolidge endorsing the merit system "as by far the most successful and efficient one" for the public as well as private business was read before the forty-fourth annual convention of the National Civil Service Reform League.

"Probably no system will ever be so far perfected as to assure satisfactory results in the selection of the personnel either for public or private business," said the president's statement, "but I am sure that the merit system, which necessarily is the real basis for the personnel policy of most private employers, is by far the most successful and efficient one for the public service as well."

IS FEARFUL OF JAP AGGRESSION ON THE PACIFIC

Washington. — Representative Britten of Illinois, ranking Republican on the house naval committee, announced that he proposed to introduce a resolution to empower the president to call a conference of white nations bordering the Pacific to discuss means of promoting better economic, commercial and political understanding among them.

"The attitude of Japan before the League of Nations, and in Japan itself, in opposition to certain cherished principles of America," said Mr. Britten, "is justification for the introduction of my resolution."

"Japan's open preparation for war is a reason why the white peoples surrounding the Pacific Ocean should have a definite defensive policy for their mutual protection, and the quicker this is done, the better."

The Illinois member added that Australia already had indicated a desire to participate in such a movement, and he suggested either Australia, Canada, or Honolulu as suitable places for the proposed conference, "so as to take it away from the political machinations of Washington."

Cartwheel To Re-appear

New York.—Shining silver dollars, the old-time "cartwheel," will re-appear in general circulation here this Christmas after several years' absence. The silver dollar has been in eclipse for a decade, in fact, ever since thrifty Hindus began burying wartime silver in India.

Egyptian Trouble

Cairo.—The Egyptian Government of Ziwar Pasha has refused to convoke the national parliament, it was announced, despite the petitions for such convocation sent to King Fuad and the premier from parliamentary and other quarters.

RESTORATION OF THE CROW'S NEST RATES EXPECTED

Ottawa.—Apart from its decision to summon Parliament for February 5, the Cabinet, at a lengthy sitting, discussed the Crow's Nest rate case.

While no decision was announced, the indications point to the Crow's Nest rate schedule being restored, as was requested by the prairie provinces in their recent appeal to the Cabinet.

Opinion on the subject is divided, but the majority are said to favor overriding the railway commission and restoring the Crow's Nest rates, on the ground that Parliament did not intend that they should be interfered with by the board. Before any action is announced, it will be necessary to draft an order-in-council assigning all the reasons, and have it concurred in by the Governor-General. Meanwhile, unless the situation changes, chances favor restoration as an initial step towards the preparation by Parliament, in the coming session, of a uniform rate structure in all the provinces. An official declaration is expected Saturday.

Alberta Wheat Is Going to Orient

Great Growth In Exports In Last Three Years

Edmonton.—The growth in the Alberta farm exports to the Orient during the last three years has been phenomenal, especially in the grain trade in which section an increase of over 9,000,000 bushels is recorded over the exports of 1922. In 1923 the exports of grain increased over 2,000,000 bushels over the preceding year, while the increase in 1924 over 1923 will be well over 6,000,000. The increase at the end of October was 6,750,000 bushels, and exports during November and December were extremely heavy.

Forecasts Next Move In British Politics

Arthur Baxter Expects Lloyd George To Support Prohibition

Toronto.—Support of the cause of prohibition by Lloyd George and the Liberal party may be the next move on the checkerboard of British politics, in the opinion of Arthur Beverley Baxter, managing editor of the London Daily Express.

Further, Mr. Baxter is convinced that Lloyd George has already taken the matter under consideration and ventures a mild political prognostication that prohibition will, at any rate, figure largely in the next appeal to the people made by British Liberalism.

Moscow Involved In Esthonian Revolt

Foreign Ministry Declares Uprising Financed by Soviet Government

Berlin—Documentary evidence proving Moscow's responsibility for the recent Communist revolt at Reval will be presented to the League of Nations, according to an announcement by the new Esthonian Foreign Minister, M. Pusitha, outlined in a special dispatch received here. The foreign minister, according to the message, charges that the Soviet Government supplied the insurrectionists with arms and munitions and placed ten million Esthonian marks at their disposal.

Manitobans Will Lose Heavily

Many Were Shareholders In Bankrupt Music Publishing Co.

Winnipeg.—Shareholders in the Hearst Publishing Company of Winnipeg, music publishers, will not get 10 cents on the dollar in the opinion of F. A. William, a lawyer, of Killarney, Man., representing the estate of a man who invested $30,000 in the concern. Joseph Xavier Hearst, president of the company, is missing from his office and is being sought, while in the meantime a receiver has been appointed.

Registered Seed Grain

Moose Jaw.—Operations on a large scale by the plant of the Saskatchewan Registered Seed Grain Co-operative Association, were inaugurated with the receipt of two carloads of seed grain. The company's previous operations for the season have been confined to handling seed grain in small lots at the Gillespie grain elevator.

$20,000 For Emigration

Victoria, B.C.—The legislature has passed a vote for $20,000 for immigration purposes, the money being required principally to cover the cost of bringing 50 Hebridean fishermen to the west coast of Vancouver Island.

The Oyen News
OYEN : : ALBERTA

A paper published every Wednesday in the interests of Oyen and surrounding districts.

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CHAS. L. DUNFORD.
Editor and Publisher.

Wednesday, December 24

Christmas 1924

Christmas is here again. May it bring real joy and gladness to all homes. May the real spirit of the Season enter our hearts and love be given its broadest expression. Youth and age come close together at this time of the year, and we can more fully enjoy the happiness of others.

It takes so little to make us happy, to cheer us up, to make us glad; it takes and costs so little to be kind, to be thoughtful, to be considerate; it takes so little to cheer others up who are discouraged, so little to lend a helping hand, yet it means so much to others as well as ourselves.

This is the season to radiate happiness.

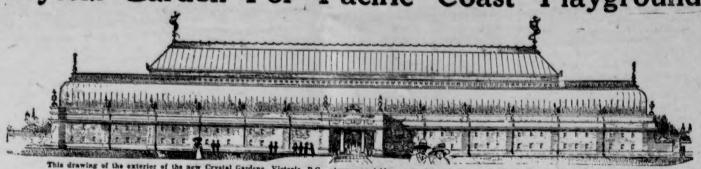
That one and all in this district may have a truly happy Christmas is our sincere wish.

Provincial Seed Fair

The Annual Provincial Seed Fair is to be held in Calgary, January 20 to 23, during the U. F. A. Convention, and the Annual Convention, of Alberta Seed Growers will be held at the same time. The program for the Convention includes interesting discussions led by prominent agriculturists. The usual annual dinner will be held at the Board of Trade, Calgary, January 22. Judging at the Seed Fair will take place January 20 and 21, and the fair will be open to the public after 4 p. m. on January 21.

The Colonial Clock at the Oyen Hardware, which was wound up by the editor of this paper two weeks ago last Friday, stopped at 11.58 p. m. last Saturday, after running just a few minutes short of 15 days and 9 hours. Mr. Charles Nelson was the holder of the lucky ticket.

Crystal Garden For Pacific Coast Playground



This drawing of the exterior of the new Crystal Gardens, Victoria, B.C., gives a good idea as to the part glass will play in its construction. In design it is not unlike the Crystal Gardens with which Londoners are familiar.

ritish Columbians are almost abnormally proud of their Capital city—Victoria. They will admit that its streets are not blocked with traffic, and that its shops are perhaps not of the most modern type, but give them an opportunity to talk of Parliament House Buildings, the Provincial Museum, the Library, the Saanich Mountain Observatory, the Empress Hotel, Stadcona Park, the golf links, the motoring roads, the private houses, the wonderful gardens, and, above all, Beacon Hill Park, and they will not let it go by.

And they are justifiably proud of their city. It is indeed beautiful, and in a beautiful setting. Rudyard Kipling once wrote of it "To realize Victoria you must take all that the eye admires most in Bournemouth, Torquay and the Isle of Wight, the Happy Valley at Hong Kong, the Doon at Sorrento and Camps Bay; add reminiscences of the Thousand Isles, and arrange the whole around the Bay of Naples with some Himalayas in the background."

"Follow the sunshine to Victoria," might be a fitting slogan to use in attracting visitors to the capital city of British Columbia. Year by year it is becoming more popular as a winter resort, particularly among people from the Prairie Provinces who find in it an escape from the cold and snow of the winter at home. The average annual rainfall only approximates twenty-seven inches, while the temperature during the winter months allows for open air sports, drives and all that goes with outdoor life, and permits the seasonal flowers to bloom in wild profusion.

Five or six golf courses, open the year round, are features of the tourist attractions of Victoria and when one comes to this city overlooking the Straits of Juan de Fuca, he finds that like the bag of Santa Claus, it holds something for everyone.

One could not write of Victoria without writing about its parks and gardens, public and private. Nowhere in the world are they scattered in such profusion or do they strike such a gorgeous, yet harmonious note as they do in this city. Perhaps the most popular of the public places is Beacon Hill Park, which contains 300 acres laid out as recreation grounds and pleasure gardens, within 15 minutes walk of the Empress Hotel.

The Butchart Sunken Gardens, a veritable fairy land of flowers, shrubs, lawns, lake and waterfall, artificially constructed in an old quarry, are a never failing source of delight, and he who is possessed of a scientific mind, or is merely just interested will find much to admire from the astrophysical observatory on Saanich Mountain. Here he will find the second largest telescope in the world.

For the motorist, more than a thousand miles of splendid highway are open, and these he can enjoy for days at a time, making short trips from Victoria to neighboring bays, towns and villages, or tours which may be extended to a week or more. Good fishing is available off

On the Oak Bay Golf Course with the ocean for a background.

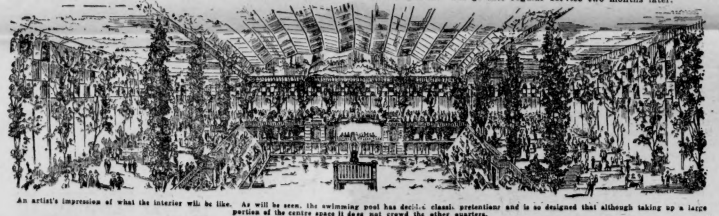
shore, or in the numerous lakes and streams. There is no doubt that Victoria is the playground of Western Canada, and Vancouver Island is preferred by many to California, because, unlike those of the latter country, its beauties and attractions have not been artificially produced by irrigation.

Vancouver Island's heritage of natural scenic beauty, climate and attractions to the sportsman are inestimable, but, as if these did not suffice, in order that residents and visitors to Victoria should fully and pleasantly occupy their time for recreation, a huge Crystal Garden, designed by Messrs. Rattenburg and James is now being built by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. A winter garden sunlit by day and glittering by night, with music and an atmosphere, it is planned, which will not be easily forgotten. Built on a two acre property facing the Empress Gardens, the Crystal Garden will be of generous proportions, with lower portion in brick and concrete and superstructure of steel and specially designed glass. The interior will eventually be a huge conservatory, provision having been made throughout for growing vines, palms and plants, and in the centre will feature the largest salt water swimming pool on the continent.

To give a Roman Bath effect, from the peacock alley promenades and dancing floors above, there will be concrete steps down to the landing of the pool which will be 150 feet long, 40 feet wide and 9 feet deep at the diving end. Salt water will be pumped from Beacon Hill Beach, a distance of nearly a mile, maintained at a temperature of 70 degrees and kept in constant circulation. It will of course, be sterilized, and bathers, before entering the pool will pass under showers of varying temperatures. Among other attractions planned are a gymnasium and hot salt water baths.

All efforts are now being concentrated on the work of construction of the Crystal Garden to the end that it will be completed by May 24th next, in time for a gala week which is being arranged by Victoria citizens, and in connection with which a pageant is being planned. A forty piece orchestra has already been engaged to play in the Garden during "Victoria Week."

Anticipating that this season will see the beginning of a large tourist movement toward Vancouver Island, the Canadian Pacific is planning to considerably augment its service between Vancouver, Victoria and Seattle, and for this run two new steamships, the largest ever to be placed in service on the Pacific Coast, are now being completed. The first, the "Princess Kathleen," will make her initial run early in the new year when she will considerably facilitate the movement of that large number of vacationists and tourists who choose to visit British Columbia, and particularly Vancouver Island at that time. The "Princess Marguerite" will go into regular service two months later.



An artist's impression of what the interior will be like. As will be seen, the swimming pool has decidedly classic pretentions and is so designed that although taking up a large portion of the centre space it does not crowd the other quarters.

At the Elevators.

Wheat	
1 Northern	1.50
2 Northern	1.35
3 Northern	1.40
Oats	
2 C.W.	.62
3 C.W	.40
No. 1 Feed	.40

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Oyen General Hospital
Mrs. R. E. Wilkenson
Nurse

Dr. H. C. Swartzlander
Physician and Surgeon,
Oyen, Alberta

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Dental Surgeon
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Oyen Lodge No. 16

There will be a meeting in our Castle Hall on January 8, 1925.

Installation of Officers.

E. D. Thygesen, K.R.S. — Arthur Fundell, C.C.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE

TO:
EDWIN ALEXANDER CULLEN,
Formerly of Excel,
Alberta.

TAKE NOTICE that the Great West Life Assurance Company has commenced an action Number 2416 against you in the Supreme Court of Alberta, Judical District of Calgary, to recover the sum of $3273.08, with interest at eight per cent per annum, from the 10th day of November, 1923, due under a certain mortgage made by you dated the 25th day of March, 1921, upon the North half of Section Thirty-four (34), Township Twenty-nine (29), Range Five (5), West of the Fourth Meridian, in the said Province and for foreclosure.

AND TAKE NOTICE that you may on or before the 12th day of January 1925, deliver (a) a statement of defence or (b) a demand that notice of any application in the action be given to you, and in default of your so doing, the plaintiff may obtain judgment and Final Order for Foreclosure without further notice to you.

Dated at Calgary, Alberta, this 12th day of December, A. D. 1924.

A. G. A. CLOWES
Clerk in Chambers

CLASSIFIED ADS.

FOR SALE—Wagon and rack in good condition. Cheap for cash or will exchange for young hogs or calves. Apply to Ed. Horne. Oyen.

FOR SALE—Tame hay. Stock will die if not fed. T. M. Nunn, Oyen, Alta.

FOR SALE—Pure Bred White Leghorn Roosters. These birds are imported from one of the best laying flocks on Pacific Coast. Satisfaction guaranteed. Price $1.50 each if taken before January 15. A. A. Stoner. Phone 518. Oyen.

FURS WANTED—Highest market prices paid for furs. Bring your pelts to CHAS. TUEL, OYEN, at Kerr's Barn.

PURE BRED YORKSHIRE BOAR—For service. Fee $2.00 payable at time of service. Also Yorkshire gilts for sale. W 34-37-5.
E. H. Davies. Phone 319. Oyen.

Merry Christmas to One and All

H. McMurray Dray Line

With Kindly Thoughts And all Good Wishes for a Real Merry Christmas

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Cordial Greetings to One & All and Best Wishes for a Very Happy Christmas

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That You May Have A Joyous Christmas Is Our Sincere Wish

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IN YOUR TOWN AND A HUNDRED OTHERS

The Growing Importance Of The Fishing Industry In The Prairie Provinces

Exceptional activity in the commercial fisheries of the great lakes of the three prairie provinces is expected this winter with high figures of production. The harvest of summer fishing on these waters has been the lowest for years, with the result that whilst whitefish and others of the product of these lakes have been moving steadily in special refrigerator cars from the prairies to New York, Chicago, Buffalo and other United States points, as well as Eastern Canadian centres, dealers are carrying over for winter consumption practically no summer frozen fish.

A good deal of attention is being paid to the improvement of the prairie provinces inland fisheries both as to the commercial production and marketing, and the ensurance of supply. A company operating on Lesser Slave Lake in Alberta has built a freezing plant in connection with its operations which is one of the first of its kind in Western Canada. There have likewise been improvements on Buffalo Lake, where two companies will be operating this winter.

Saskatchewan, which accounts for only about one-half of the annual fish production of Alberta, and one-fifth of that of Manitoba, is paying exceptional attention to the building up of her inland fisheries. Parent fish and fry were distributed among fifty-four lakes in the spring of 1924 from the provincial hatcheries, this being the widest distribution ever effected. Fish were taken to widely separated points and, according to all reports, the transition was successfully accomplished and the fish are thriving. Among the fish distributed were over 20,000,000 whitefish; 17,000,000 perch; over 7,-600,000 Thurlow cisco; and over 5,-600,000 pickerel. Between 700 and 800 bass and crappies were placed in the Fort Qu'Appelle lakes. Preparations have been made for a further collection of between 20,000,000 and 25,000,000 fish eggs to keep Saskatchewan lakes supplied with fish.

Astoulshment is often expressed that fish taken in waters of the far north, remote oftentimes from the fringes of civilization, can, even in the official means of transportation available in special refrigerator cars, be economically marketed at interior points of the United States, such as Chicago and Minneapolis, not to speak of distant points such as New York. As a matter of fact, in the great middle west of the United States, with its large cities and the populous territories surrounding these centres, there exists a tremendous market, capable of yet greater expansion, for the fish product of the lakes of the prairie provinces.

Wheat Exports Decline

Marked Dropping Off In Exports During Past Four Months

A marked decline in the exportation of Canadian wheat during the past four months as compared with the same period last year is shown in a bulletin issued by the Dominion bureau of statistics. During the four four months ended November, 1924, 59,522,363 bushels of Canadian wheat were exported, while during the same period in 1923, 109,986,042 bushels left Canadian ports.

For the month of November the exportation fell from 64,196,563 bushels in 1923 to 26,982,361 bushels in November of this year. The exportation of wheat flour showed some improvement this year as compared with last. During the four months ended November slightly more than 23,000,-000 barrels were exported as compared with 19,260,611 barrels last year.

Barley, oats and rye all showed some increase in the volume exported during the past four months as compared with the same period in 1923.

Government Marine Service

A new Canadian Government Merchant Marine service will give direct connection with the ports on the continent of Europe by way of Los Angeles and London. The new schedule from Vancouver will be inaugurated by the Canadian Importer, leaving with a large cargo of lumber, canned salmon, grain and general commodities. The S.S. Canadian Pioneer will sail from Antwerp for Vancouver, thus inaugurating the service from that end.

Effects Of Travel

Fish from the Atlantic coast is sold in Ottawa for five times the sum received by the fishermen, which may be an instance of the broadening effect of travel.—Monteral Gazette.

No Attraction For Him

Nurse: Wouldn't you like to go to heaven, Bobbie, and wear a nice gold crown

Bobbie: Not if the dentist is going to put it on.

U.S. Transportation Problems

American Flag Disappearing From the Great Lakes

Solution of the United States transportation problem lies in the development of aircraft, the national rivers and harbors, congress was told by Rear-Admiral Wm. A. Moffett, chief of the naval bureau and aeronautics, and Brig.-Gen. Wm. E. Mitchell, assistant chief of the army air service. Admiral Moffett declared the most promising venture for future aircraft transportation would be the establishment of a trans-Atlantic mail service by dirigibles.

Edwin H. Duff, representing the Inland Water Lines Association, told congress that unless relief is given ship operators of the great lakes from the La Follette Seamen's Act, the United States flag will disappear from lake commerce. United States operators, he asserted, are transferring their ships to Canadian register in order to stay in the business.

May Ship Grain West

Grain Shipment From Manitoba To Pacific Feasible In Winter

The shipment of wheat from Manitoba to the port of Vancouver during the winter months was declared to be feasible by Col. G. H. Kirkpatrick, chairman of the Vancouver Harbor Board, during an interview at Winnipeg.

Wheat from Saskatchewan had been shipped to the coast after lake navigation had closed, and Col. Kirkpatrick saw no reason why Manitoba should not be so-treated, provided it was of high grade and the market suitable.

—"At present we have no market for other than high quality grain, but a market for lower grades will follow in due course," Col. Kirkpatrick said, adding that the elevator storage capacity at Vancouver would amount to six million bushels soon.

Alberta Conditions Good

Province In Better Shape Than in Any Year Since the War

If there is taken out of it Alberta crop area some dry districts that never ought to have been cultivated, the remaining average for that area 1924 is not too bad. The net result is that, to quote the words of a prominent Calgary banker, "Alberta is today in better shape than in any year since the war."

Various factors have, of course, contributed to this state of affairs, last year's crop for one, this year's crop for another, and the enormous increase in dairying for another, the total of butter manufactured this year running to nearly 20 million pounds, of which four million will be shipped out of Canada.

Motor Fuel From Coal Tar

Develops Greater Power and Costs Less than Gasoline

Exhaustive tests by the artillery laboratories at Vincennes are said to have fully justified the claims made for a new motor fuel extracted from de-benzolized coal tar.

When used in heavy trucks and tractors, according to Le Matin, it developed much greater power than gasoline and gave slightly higher mileage to the gallon. Its cost is said to be but one-tenth of gasoline.

Profit in Eggs

It is announced that the United Farmers' of Ontario Co-operative Company have secured for their members an additional profit of approximately ten cents per dozen for their eggs. About 250,000 dozen eggs were handled and after all expenses had been met there will be between $20,000 and $25,000 to be handed back to the producer.

Alberta Poultry For New York.

Experiments are being conducted in the shipment of live poultry from Alberta to the New York market. A carload containing 3,450 birds recently left Viking for New York. If the experiment proves financially successful it will further hasten the rapid development which is taking place in poultry raising in Alberta.

Turks Have Pipe Craze

The pipe craze has swept Turkey. The sale of pipes in Constantinople alone has increased 300 per cent. in the last four years, according to recent estimates. The pipe has become the most popular form of smoking almost over night. There seems to be no explanation of the fad.

Within eight years, 2,500 miles of railroads in the United States have been abandoned.

The Needs Of Canada

Pride of Country Essential States Sir Campbell Stuart

"We need population in Canada, we need money, we need inter-Canadian trade, but, above all, we need all the people, east and west, thinking and working together for Canada, and weaving the one great story of the history of Canada into the lives of all the citizens so that all may get that pride of country without which no country can ever be really great."

In these words did Sir Campbell Stuart, Canadian born, and managing director of the London Times, speak-ing at Edmonton, sum up the needs of Canada in a most thoughtful and inspiring address.

From a deliciously humorous description of how he, a young Canadian, invited distinguished guests from the old nobility of France and England to a banquet in the palace of Versailles when he had not the least idea in the world who he was to secure the palace, Sir Campbell passed to the real test of this nation on Canadian character, and he was equally interesting in both phases of his address.

World Trade Shifting

Western Ports the Gateway For Trade to the Orient

In greatly increasing volume, world trade is shifting from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Mr. Justice M. A. MacDonald, of the British Columbia Court of Appeal, told members of the Moose Jaw Canadian Club at a luncheon. The western ports of Canada, he said, were the gateway for trade to the Orient. The immense populations of China, Japan and other Asiatic countries were developing rapidly. The effect on trade volume was inevitable and, in his opinion, the near future would see an expansion in shipping and manufacturing that would far excel any period in the world's history.

Three-fifths of the world's total population dwelt in countries which bordered upon the Pacific, Judge MacDonald said. The very fact of Vancouver's growing importance as an outlet of grain from the prairies was indication of the approaching developments, even revolution of trade from the old channels.

Plans Agricultural Temple

Illinois Ex-Governor Has Idea For Structure in Chicago

A world's temple to agriculture, the largest building in the world, outside of a radio broadcasting tower rivaling the Eiffel Tower in Paris, a convention hall of 50,000 seats and a commercial hotel of 2,500 rooms, the cost to cost $26,000,000, is planned by a mid-west group headed by Frank O. Lowden, former governor of Illinois. The structure to be erected here would be known as the "American Agricultural Society Building." According to announced plans the temple would be the national centre of farm activities in the United States, such as was urged in recent resolutions adopted by delegates to the American Farm Bureau Federation Convention. Associated with Lowden and Wm. Wrigley, Jr., are Robert M. Stewart, Lawrence Whiting and others.

Rural Education

Miss Agnes MacPhaill Has Some Criticism to Offer in Ontario

Rural education, as constituted in Ontario, lacks the three-fold development—head, heart and hand, according to Miss Agnes MacPhail, M.P., who presented a report on "Rural Educational Research" at the closing session of the convention of the United Farm Women of Ontario at Toronto.

Comparing the system with systems of other countries, Miss MacPhail said there was a tendency in Ontario to force upon children, for no particular purpose, unassimilated facts, with the result that it left in its trail a barren area at the end of the public school system. In substance, the rural education system was out of proportion with the needs of rural life and the direct spirit of the land.

Good Butter Trade With Japan

Figures just issued by the Japanese consul at Vancouver show that Canada is rapidly developing a good butter trade with Japan. In 1922, Canada shipped only 7,681 pounds of butter to that country, while this year, up to a week or two ago, Japanese buyers had bought 2,220,910 pounds, most of which was supplied by Western Canadian creameries.

Makes His Own Calendar

Richard Rogg refuses to accept his Roman calendar. He has devised his own. The days on his calendar are only 10 hours long, his weeks 10 days long and his months 10 weeks long. He says he does not observe the Sabbath.

It took two men to carry 1½ cwt. loaf nearly 9 feet long presented by a local baker to King's College Hospital Denmark Hill, S.E., as a harvest festival offering.

Western Flax Straw

Will Send Flax Straw to Scotland For Experimental Purposes

The Canadian trade commissioner at Glasgow reports that he has made arrangements with the Saskatchewan Government for the dispatch of a quantity of straw to Scotland to be experimented upon by a new process for producing flax yarn. The method consists of separating the fibres from the straw without the usual retting and by mechanical instead of chemical action. Vast quantities of fibre flax are imported by Scotland and Ireland annually. Various countries contribute to the supply. A small amount is secured from Ontario; but hitherto little or no success has been achieved in utilizing straw from the prairie provinces, where flax is grown primarily for flax seed. Attempts have been repeatedly made in recent years to perfect a process that will enable western straw to be used for commercial purposes. When success crowns these efforts, another source of income will be afforded the flax growers in these provinces. Again the debt the farmers owe to the scientific investigators employed by manufacturing industries is recalled by a concrete instance of assistance.—Regina Leader.

The Wheat Winner

The Farmer Who Grew the Best Basket of Wheat in the World

In these days when the merits of superiority are so constantly thrust before the public, some extra consideration might be given the Saskatchewan farmer who grew the best bushel of wheat in the world. This honor is annually awarded at the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago. For thirteen years the first prize has always been captured by a Canadian, Seager Wheeler, J. C. Mitchell of Dahinda, Sask., on two previous occasions has had the best grain.

If one were to judge from the press dispatches, no little romance attaches to the growing of the new wheat from Dahinda. In 1907 he was a cotton spinner in Manchester, England—a mere cog in that vast textile industry, with a continued weekly wage provided for him. Then he got busy. He took advantage of the Dominion Government's offer of a quarter section of land in Western Canada, and began his anew in the prairie country. It is a far cry from a noisy cotton loom in Manchester to receiving the plaudits of the agricultural world, but it was accomplished in seventeen years.—The Toronto Globe.

Anxious To Emigrate

High Type of Ukranians Would Come To Canada

Joseph Dyk, a Winnipeg barrister, commissioned by the Federal Government to carry out a special investigation of conditions in Poland, has returned after a sojourn in Central Europe, exceeding three months. His mission was primarily to look into the possibilities of bringing into Western Canada desirable Ukranian settlers. There would be no difficulty, Mr. Dyk asserted, in getting 10,000 families to emigrate to Canada. This class, he said, mostly belonged to the higher type and would prove a great asset to the Dominion.

Was Fond Of His Horse

Swiss Sportsman Kills Himself When Mount Had To Be Shot

A man's affection for his horse ended in his death recently in the little village of Pomplerre, in Vaud canton. Jean Teuthorer, a great sportsman and particularly fond of his mount, had to shoot the animal to put an end to its suffering from disease. Jean went immediately to his bedroom and, with the same pistol, shot and killed himself.

The Wrong Eye

"Ah," said the doctor, looking into one eye, "it is easy for me to see that you are the victim of more than one eye trouble; you have an affection of the nervous system. There are all the signs of liver trouble, of fatty degeneration of the heart, of an affected lung, of a bad blood supply. The only thing I can recommend it——"

"Here, here!" cried the patient, "isn't it about time you looked into the other eye? That's my glass one, you know."

New Tax Source

Men's tobacco and women's powder, rouge and other cosmetics may be taxed to provide a greater school fund for Missouri. Charles A. Lee, state superintendent of schools, is an address at St. Louis, urged an amendment to the state constitution providing such a tax.

Time For the Garage Man

Statisticians have figured that the average motorist spends 24 days a year at the driving wheel. That leaves 341 days, and any healthy, industrious garage mechanic ought to get his motoring done in that time.—Ottawa Journal.

Canada's Winter Sports Are Becoming Better Known To The People Of Other Climes

Bovine Tuberculosis

Cattle Found To Be Reactive To Tests Are Not Needlessly Slaughtered

Although admitting that the federal department of agriculture had not made much progress of late years in the fight to eradicate bovine tuberculosis, Dr. J. H. Grisdale of Ottawa, deputy minister of agriculture, denied that cattle found to be reactive to tuberculine tests are being needlessly slaughtered, as charged in some quarters, when he spoke before a large gathering of livestock men in Calgary recently.

George H. Hutton, superintendent of the C.P.R. demonstration farm at Strathmore, and president of the Western Canada Livestock Union, in a short address on the question from the standpoint of a private breeder, declared that exhaustive investigations carried out by himself and other breeders showed that in many instances, bulls that had been found to react from tuberculine tests, had been bred successfully, and that none of their progeny were found to be suffering from tuberculosis. He expressed the opinion that just because some animals were found to react to tuberculine tests, that was not sufficient reason why they should be slaughtered.

Grading Agricultural Products

Uniformity and Standardization An Important Economic Factor

In an interview, in a recent interview, to the marketing of live stock and the benefits of sorting and grading into groups of uniform type, weight and quality, I had no intention of calling particular attention to any one organization in so much as sorting and grading is a practice recognized and carried out by practically all livestock handlers at our stockyards."

The statement was made by J. M. McCallum, Ottawa, chief of the stockyard services in an interview in Winnipeg.

Mr. McCallum again stressed the value of uniformity and standardization in grades of agricultural products as an important economic factor *in production and marketing, and drew attention to the success attained by* British Columbia apples, Saskatchewan butter, Danish bacon and New Zealand cheese which were treated in this manner.

King Endeavors To Avoid Unemployment

Wants to Give Winter Work to Men On His Estates

The King has been devoting a good deal of consideration lately to the question how agricultural unemployment during the coming winter may be best avoided on his estates at Sandringham, Balmoral and Windsor.

He is not particularly concerned to see the various projects prove immediately remunerative, so long as they provide work.

It is sometimes said that the King is able to undertake work on his estates of a nature that could not be afforded by a private landowner, because he is not taxed as others are taxed. This is, however, an error. Apart from Windsor, which is the official property of the crown, and therefore exempt from taxation, the King pays precisely the same rates and taxes as any other landowners.

Helps B.C. Industry

Canned Whale is Great Delicacy In West Africa

Canned cuts of whale meat are considered a great delicacy in West Africa, according to the London Board of Trade Journal. Practically the whole of the whale meat canned in British Columbia last year was sold among the settlements between Liberia and the Congo.

West Africa has thus solved the problem of finding a market for whale meat after the oil has been extracted, for whale steak has become a really popular viand in that part of the world.

"It is the Navy"

A nation calling itself independent within the Empire, with exports of a billion and a quarter on the high seas, might do well to think of the protection of those long sea lines, said Major-Gen. F. L. Lessard, speaking of the Navy League at a gathering of business men at Montreal.

Monumentis recently uncarthed at Thebes and in the upper valley of the Nile contain representations of harps and flutes.

Joseph Aspdin, an English stonemason, invented Portland cement 100 years ago.

According to reports from all sections of the Dominion, Canada played the host during the summer of 1924 to an overwhelmingly greater number of holiday visitors than she had ever had the opportunity of welcoming in previous years. Each spring makes it increasingly clear that Canada is becoming definitely established in the minds of people of other countries, more particularly the United States, as the location for their annual vacation, and that in the future the Dominion can look for an ever-swelling invasion throughout the summer to her countless beauty spots and regions of wild romance.

The greater bulk of these visitors, however, have returned to their homes long before the advent of the Indian summer with its balmy days, and few are there when the first touch of frost tinges the grand Canadian woods with a myriad tints. Some there are, and they are a growing number, who postpone their vacation until the fall and come to Canada when she offers the most superb lending on the continent. Still fewer are those who have learnt the joys of the Canadian winter season, but there has come to be a gratifying increase each year in those who come to participate in Canadian winter sports.

The people of the American continent, who have been wont to read of the winter sports of Europe with a certain amount of envy, are just coming to realize that north of them, easily accessible, is a series of Norways and Switzerlands stretching from coast to coast, offering the most magnificent order of winter revelry and the greatest variety of sports. Those who once have indulged in Canadian winter revelry become devotees and return annually. The number is growing, but there are still too few with any appreciation of the pleasures of the winter season in Canada.

In the past Canada has been content to disregard the violent misconceptions which have widely prevailed about her winter and plunged recklessly into hibernal gaiety without a care that other peoples were ignorant of her pleasures. Of late years, however, there has been a pronounced movement to make the Canadian winter known as it really is and further *to bring people from other lands to* share in the joys of the season. In effecting this end winter sports have become to some extent centralized, and in many parts of the country, carnivals, concentrating the joy of the season into brief time, feature the season.

The Wheat Shortage

A Strong Demand For Wheat May Be Expected In 1925

A comparison with the estimated carry-over on August 1, 1925, shows that, even if an increased acreage is sown to wheat in 1925 under the stimulus of higher prices the world's stock of wheat will have been cleared out before the harvest of next year can be drawn upon. In the autumn of 1925 there will be everywhere a demand for wheat that will probably assure a profitable level of price for growers. It is a situation which is of special interest to Canada as one of the greatest wheat exporting countries. The combination of such a prospect and of present prices is already being felt. It is giving a perceptible impulse to general business.—Toronto Globe.

The Wealth of a Nation

For a long time it has been the fashion to refer to farming as the basic industry of the country, and, yet, when emergencies have arisen, to treat it as the Cinderella of the industrial family. The main reason for this attitude of neglect has been the inability or disinclination of politicians to recognize the intimate connection between the nation's security and the nation's supply of home-grown food, between the decay of arable farming and the growth of unemployment.—London Times.

Britain An Inspiration

Addressing the Canadian Club at Ottawa, Otto H. Kahn, American banker and philanthropist, said that since the war, England has shown nothing less than economic heroism. She has been an inspiration to the other nations of Europe, he said, and is about to reap her reward.

Food For Thought

An angry man called at a newspaper office and furiously demanded to see the editor. He was told that the editor was out. "Where is he?" shouted the caller. "Out, sir," said the office boy, "taking flowers to a man who called yesterday."

The man who is too busy to take care of his health is a workman too busy to take care of his tools.

A Romance of the Spanish Main

CAPTAIN BLOOD

By RAFAEL SABATINI

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"CAPTAIN BLOOD," a Vitagraph picture with J. Warren Kerrigan in the title role, is an adaptation of this thrilling novel.

CHAPTER I.

The Messenger

Peter Blood, bachelor of medicine and several other things besides, smoked a pipe and tended the geraniums boxed on the sill of his window above Water Lane in the town of Bridgewater. Mr. Blood's attention was divided between his task and the stream of humanity in the narrow street below; a stream which poured for the second time that day towards Castle Field, where earlier in the afternoon Ferguson, the Duke's chaplain, had preached a sermon containing more treason than divinity.

These straggling, excited groups were mainly composed of men with green boughs in their hats and the most ludicrous of weapons in their hands. Some, it is true, shouldered fowling pieces, and here and there a sword was brandished; but more of them were armed with clubs, and most of them trailed the mammoth pikes fashioned out of scythes, as formid able to the eye as they were clumsy to the hand. There were weavers, brewers, carpenters, smiths, masons, bricklayers, cobblers, and representatives of every other of the trades of peace among these improvised men of war. Bridgewater, like Taunton, has yielded so generously of its manhood to the service of the bastard Duke that for any to abstain whose age and strength admitted of his bearing arms was to brand himself a coward or a papist.

Yet Peter Blood, who was not only able to bear arms, but trained and skilled in their use, who was certainly no coward and a papist only when

Peter Blood and Jeremy Pitt

it so suited him, tended his geraniums and smoked his pipe on that warm July evening as indifferently as if nothing were afoot.

He laughed and sighed in one; but the laugh dominated the sigh, for Mr. Blood was unsympathetic, as are most self-sufficient men; and he was very self-sufficient; adversity had taught him so to be. A more tender-hearted man, possessing his vision and his knowledge, might have found cause for tears in the contemplation of these ardent, simple, Nonconformist sheep going forth to the shambles—escorted to the rallying ground on Castle Field by wives and daughters, sweethearts and mothers, sustained by the delusion that they were to take the field in defence of Right, of Liberty, and of Religion. For he knew, as all Bridgewater knew and had known now for some hours, that it was Monmouth's intention to deliver battle that same night. The Duke was to lead a surprise attack upon the Royalist army under Feversham that was now encamped on Sedgemoor. Mr. Blood assumed that Lord Feversham would be equally well-informed, and if in this assumption he was wrong, at least he was justified of it. He was not to suppose the Royalist commander so indifferently skilled in the trade he followed.

Peter Blood was the son of an Irish medicus who had early resolved that the boy should follow his own honourable profession, and Peter Blood, being quick to learn and oddly greedy of knowledge, had satisfied his parent by receiving at the age of twenty the degree of baccalaureus medicinæ at Trinity College, Dublin. His father survived that satisfaction by three months only. His mother had then been dead some years already. Thus Peter Blood came into an inheritance of some few hundred pounds, with which he had set out to see the world. A set of curious chances led him to take service with the Dutch, then at war with France; and a predilection for the sea made him elect that this service should be upon that element. He had the advantage of a commission under the famous de Ruyter, and fought in the Mediterranean engagement in which that great Dutch admiral lost his life.

After the Peace of Nimeguen his movements are obscure. But we know that he spent two years in a Spanish prison, though we do not know how he contrived to get there. It may be due to that that upon his release he took his sword to France, and saw service with the French in their warring upon the Spanish Netherlands. Having reached, at last, the age of thirty-two, his appetite for adventure surfeited, his health having grown indifferent as the result of a neglected wound, he was suddenly overwhelmed by homesickness. He took ship from Nante, with intent to cross to Ireland. But the vessel being driven by stress of weather into Bridgewater Bay, and Blood's health having grown worse during the voyage, he decided to go ashore there additionally urged to it by the fact that it was his mother's native soil.

Thus in January of that year, 1685, he had come to Bridgewater, possessor of a fortune that was approximately the same as that with which he had originally set out from Dublin eleven years ago.

Because he liked the place, in which his health was rapidly restored to him, and because he conceived that he had passed through adventures enough for a man's lifetime, he determined to settle there, and take up at last the profession of medicine from which he had, with so little profit, broken away.

That is all his story, or so much of it as matters up to that night, six months later, when the battle of Sedgemoor was fought.

Deeming the impending action no affair of his, as indeed it was not, and indifferent to the activity with which Bridgewater was that night agog, Mr. Blood closed his ears to the sounds of it, and went early to bed.

The armies came into collision in the neighborhood of two o'clock in the morning. Mr. Blood slept undisturbed through the distant boom of cannon. Not until four o'clock did he awaken from his tranquil slumbers. He sat up in bed, rubbed the sleep from his eyes, and collected himself. Blows were thundering upon the door of his house, and, a voice was calling incoherently. He reached for bed gown and slippers, went himself to open. There in slanting golden light of the new-risen sun Mr. Blood recognized him for the young shipmaster, Jeremiah Pitt, who had been drawn by the general enthusiasm into the vortex of that rebellion. The wild-eyed lad plunged, headlong, into speech, gasping, breathless.

"It is Lord Gildoy," he panted. "He is sore wounded.... at Ogleborough Farm by the river. I bore him thither .....and ....and he sent me for you. Come away! Come away!"

"To be sure, I'll come. But first give me leave to get some clothes and other things I may need."

At sight of the doctor, dressed and booted, the case of instruments tucked under his arm, he mounted the encouraged himself from those who pressed about, shook off his weariness and seizing the bridle of his horse, he climbed to the saddle.

"Come along, sir," he cried. "Mount behind me."

Mr. Blood, without wasting words, did as he was bidden. Pitt touched the horse with his spur. The little crowd gave way, and thus, upon the crupper of the doubly-laden horse, clinging to the belt of his companion, Peter Blood set out upon his Odyssey. For this Pitt, in whom he beheld no more than the messenger of a wounded rebel gentleman, was indeed the very messenger of Fate.

(To be continued)

Things To Remember

Some Hints That Might Be Found Useful

To clean a polished mop, boil in water to which a handful of soda and a little paraffin have been added.

When soup has been over-salted, put a raw potato into the pan and cook for a few minutes.

A bit of charcoal put into water in which cabbages and other greens are being boiled will prevent the disagreeable odor which usually pervades the house.

When the seat of a cane chair begins to sag through much use, tighten it by simply washing it with very hot water and leave it to dry.

When the finger tips of rubber gloves show signs of wear, turn them inside out, and use them so, the right-hand glove becomes the left one and vice-versa, and in this way you get the last bit of wear out of them.

The Lady Vet

For the first time in its history, and believed to be the only instance in the Dominion, a woman student is taking a course at the Ontario Veterinary College. She purposes specializing in diseases of household pets. Many poodles and pussies are subject to ailments common to domestic animals.—Vancouver Province.

Mars Keeps Its Secret

Problem Of Its Habitability Is No Nearer Being Solved

Mars still remains a conspicuous object in the night sky, but it is now some 23,000,000 miles further away than when it made its closest approach, in August, and increases its distance by over 600,000 miles a day. Whenever the weather has been favorable during the last two months, astronomers, professional and amateur, have closely scrutinized the planet in this country, and in more favored parts of the world it has been under almost constant observation. America's giant telescopes have been nightly focussed upon it, and thousands of photographs have been obtained.

But the anticipations that the planet, which nearer the earth than for over a century would be compelled to yield up the secret of its hypothetical inhabitants have not been realized. Certain small changes in some of the well defined physical features have been noted, as well as curious variations in the size of the white area around its south pole, which is believed to be ice or snow; but the geometrical net-work of canals charted by the late Prof. Lowell and others has eluded the keenest eyes, and the tantalizing problem of its habitability is still as far from solution as ever.

It will be many years before Mars again comes as near as it was last summer, but fairly close approaches will take place in July, 1939; September, 1956; and August, 1971. That of 1971 will be the most favorable, the distance of Mars then being about 35,000,000, or within 400,000 miles of the minimum distance this year.—London Observer.

Professor Is Criticized

Says Decay Sets In At Age Of Twenty-Seven

People whose pulse was slow and whose temperature was low were likely to be more intelligent than others with faster pulse and higher temperature.

So said Professor Karl Pearson in a lecture to teachers at University College, Gower Street, London. Other interesting sayings by him were: A man reached his prime at about twenty-seven years of age and at forty was most acute at eight or nine years.

There was loss of mental alertness after twenty-seven. It might be sad, but it was a fact.

The weight of evidence, however, is overwhelmingly against these statements.

"If it were so," said a well-known Harley Street specialist, "it would be a bad day. A man is just as young and active as he makes himself. It is largely a matter of diet, habits and work.

"Man's best age ought to be, and generally is, about forty-five, but there are some wonderful exceptions. Take, for instance, Lord Leverhulme, that glutton for work, who, at seventy-three, is the controller of so many enterprises, and is at present out of England on a long business trip."

Do Away With Motto

Old London City Council Decides On A Change

After many years the general purposes committee of the London County Council has given up trying to get a suitable motto for the council. In 1914 a Latin one was recommended, which meant, "We meet here every Tuesday afternoon to make London a Better, Brighter Place." But this was not acceptable to the conscientious members. Since then a thousand mottoes have been received, but the committees at the last meeting introduced a resolution that the council abandon the idea of a motto. It was recommended that the word "London," on a scroll, be placed underneath the council's coat-of-arms.

"Great Scott! What on earth has that fool of a jeweller been playing at with this ring?" exclaimed a young man, gazing at the engagement ring in his hand.

"What's the trouble?" asked his friend.

"Why, I told him to engrave 'From A to Z,' from Arthur to Zena—on the inside of it, and the idiot has put in the whole blooming alphabet."

Used Cars

Approximately 2,750,000 used automobiles were sold in the United States between Jan. 1 and Sept. 15. Reports from 2,500 dealers in various sections of the country show the average paid by the dealers in 1924 was $270.60, while the average selling price was $297.80.

Canadian Horse Wins

"Lord Brilliant," Canadian bred champion at the last Toronto horse show, and owned by Miss E. Viau, of Montreal, beat Knight Commander, champion harness horse of Great Britain of 1924, at the Ottawa horse show.

The lengths of a mile vary in different countries.

Everywhere BEER

The Tobacco with a heart

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Erected In Eleventh Century

Westminster Hall Was Ordered By Second Norman King

Westminster Hall, the ancient and beautiful building that forms the principal vestibule of the British Houses of Parliament, was erected in the eleventh century to the order of William Rufus, the second of the Norman Kings. Much of the original stonework remains in the walls, but it is for the grandeur of the great open timber-framed roof that the hall owes its chief architectural and historical interest. This roof was completed under the instructions of Richard II. in 1399.

In the whole of the original structure no metal bolt was used, the jointing being secured by oak pins. The beams themselves being from 40 to 60 feet in length, composed of three sections and weighing up to 4 tons, were taken from oak trees which must have been planted in the eighth century.

Market For Polar Bears

Big Demand From Zoos Is Met From Germany

There has been an unusual and profitable demand for polar bears of late, owing to the fact that the zoos of the world neglected their stocks during the war and are now endeavoring to replace them.

Most polar bears come from Spitzbergen. The hunters are sent out by a German company in the wild animal business and the bears are brought to Hamburg, where they are kept until they get accustomed to civilization. A party of hunters returned recently with 40 polar bears, all of which had been ordered in advance of capture. Another previous expedition brought 56 bears, most of which by this time have been scattered to various parts of the world and taken their places in the cages which will be their homes until the end.

Australian Flag Sent To Ottawa School

Presented by New Capital to Capital City of Dominion

To celebrate the opening of the first school in Canberra, the new capital of Australia, H. S. W. Nesbitt, chairman of the Ottawa public school board, formally presented the principal of the school for higher English with a magnificent Australian flag, a gift from the pupils of Telopeau Park public school to "the pupils of the head of the state or public school established in Ottawa."

With the flag came a message couched in most friendly terms and eloquent in patriotism, and concluded with good wishes for many years of unbounded prosperity. A suitable letter of acknowledgment and greetings will shortly be sent to Canberra.

Prince Plays New Instrument

Has Become Quite Proficient On the Banjulele

The Prince of Wales is learning to play the banjulele and thousands of his father's subjects are taking up the crossword puzzle craze, which has only recently crossed the Atlantic.

The Prince, who is somewhat of a jazz dilettante, recently took a few tips on thumping the banjo from an American master of that instrument who happened to be performing in a London cabaret. He has been beating the snare and base drums in syncopated manner for quite some time, and now finds leisure to plunk away at the banjulele, a hybrid instrument combining some of the qualities whether good or bad, of the banjo and the ukelele.

The Packing Industry

The packing industry slaughtered 2,256,594 hogs in inspected establishments in Canada in 1923, an increase of 329,182 over 1922. The numbers of cattle and sheep slaughtered were 812,142 and 498,745 respectively.

Population Of Australia

The population of Australia at the end of September last, according to the census, was 5,535,000, an increase of two per cent. in the past three years.

Played By Pop

First Little Girl.—Do you believe there's a devil?

Second ditto.—No. It's like Santa Claus. It's your father.

A Message From Captain Blood

Dashing Tale Redolent of the Salt Sea, a Story of Brave Men and Fair Ladies

Faith an' 'tis in the interest of my good friend and biographer, Rafael Sabatini, that I'm addressing ye.

He's a brave lad and he's written with a rare pen my life on the rolling seas after the time that that bastard King James and the sickly Lord Jeffreys did make me an outlaw in the eyes of my countrymen.

Sabatini has put the salt of the sea into his pages, and the cry of the wind in the sheets when the Arabella, which was my pet of the fleet, was riding free, the nose of her pointing to the treacherous Spaniards.

Ye can hear the clanking of the grappling irons, and the throaty yells of my bravos when they poured aboard the enemy. The boom of sixteen pounders and the crisping of crossing cutlasses fill your ears.

And, Arabella! Faith, an' Sabatini, himself, must have a bit of old Ireland in him to have described her so! Arabella, for whom I did forswear my war upon England and did return to my own, God bless her!—Captain Peter Blood (By His Hand).

Do not fail to read the opening chapter of this thrilling story which appears in this issue.

Rid South Africa Ranches of Lions

Hunter Said King of Beasts Was Only Big Dog

"Yank" Allen, the terror of South African lions, has died at Capetown, but only after he accounted for 258 of the beasts. Allen, who was a native of Texas, came to South Africa 17 years ago to rid the British South African Company's ranches of lions. So well did he do his work that for the last ten years lions in the company's district became about as abundant as bison on the American prairie, and he eventually cut himself out of a job. His bag of lions is a record, even for South Africa.

Allen's description of a lion was that it was nothing more than a big dog, and that it was safest not to open fire until the animal was within 20 yards of the gun.

Perpetual Motion Clock

French Inventor Claims It Will Never Need Winding

What he says amounts to the discovery of perpetual motion has been accomplished in Paris, according to the claim of a French inventor by the name of Monnier, who has just finished a clock which he started to make thirty-six years ago, which, he says, will run forever without being wound up.

Monnier's clock weighs eleven hundred pounds. It is twelve feet high, six feet wide and three feet six inches deep. It is composed of 12,000 different pieces and has six secondary dials, giving the respective time in London, Berlin, Strassbourg, Cuba, Leningrad and New York, in addition to the main face, which tells local time.

Mutual Happiness

Mr. Bentley (in the heat of passion). —There's not a single hour in the day when our house is perfectly happy.

Mrs. Bentley.—Oh, yes, there is, dear.

Mr. Bentley.—I'd like to know when it comes in, then.

Mrs. Bentley.—It comes in just after you have gone out.

Needless to say, the happy hour started at once.

Montreal Crime Breaks Record

Statistics of crime in Montreal for the year 1924, reveal that there were more murder trials and more persons charged with murder, the past twelve months, than ever before in the history of the local courts. Altogether eighteen men and one woman appeared in the court of King's Bench on this charge.

New Law In Windsor

All persons pawning articles in Windsor must in future permit the pawnbroker to obtain an ink impression of their forefinger which will be returned to police headquarters upon a form which the party pawning the goods must fill in and sign, police have announced.

Problem of the Compass

Does Not Point Due North and Changes Its Direction

The magnetic compass has been used for more than 600 years and today is more widely employed than ever before. Yet contrary to popular belief the magnetic compass does not point due north, but more or less east ward or westward of it at different places.

Scientists state that this is because the magnetic poles of the earth are not situated at the geographical poles as shown on our maps of the world.

The problem of the compass is still further complicated by the fact that it changes its direction from year to year; it marches to the westward for many years, then turns backward and marches to the eastward, then reverses again and marches to the westward, etc. Moreover, its very confusing behavior is quite different in different places. Whether this is caused by shifting of the magnetic poles, by changes within the earth itself, or by some influence of the sun or planets, scientists have not yet been able to determine.

BABY'S OWN TABLETS ALWAYS IN THE HOME

Once a mother has used Baby's Own Tablets for her little ones she always keep a supply on hand, for the first trial convinces her there is nothing to equal them in keeping children well. The Tablets are a mild but thorough laxative which regulate the bowels and sweeten the stomach, thus driving out constipation and indigestion, colds and simple fevers and making teething easier. Concerning them, Mrs. Salusie Pelletier, St. Dumas, Que., writes:—"I have used Baby's Own Tablets for the past ten years and am never without them in the house. They have always given the greatest satisfaction and I can gladly recommend them to all mothers of little ones." The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or direct by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

LITTLE HELPS FOR THIS WEEK

But to do good and to communicate forget not.—Heb. xiii., 16.

A Heart-felt smile, a gentle tone,
A thoughtful word, a tender touch,
A passing act of kindness done,
'Tis all, but it is much.

These are not things to win applause,
No earthly fame awaiteth such;
But surely by the heavenly laws,
They are accounted much.

Kind looks, kind words, kind acts, and warm hand-shakes—these are secondary means of grace when men are in trouble, and are fighting their unseen battles.—John Hall.

Kindness has converted more sinners than either zeal, eloquence, or learning.—Frederick William Faber.

Has Extraordinary Tongue

Snake in London Zoo Has Tongue Of Three Colors

The extraordinary tongue of a South American snake was described recently to the Fellows of the Zoological Society by Miss Joan Procter, F.Z.S., Curator of Reptiles at the London Zoo.

The tongue has three colors which correspond with the reptile's forehead, cheeks and under-jaw. The result is that when the snake puts out its tongue the effect is as if the pointed snout itself has suddenly shot out into a strange wriggling point.

Areas Under Crop

The total area in Canada estimated to be sown to the principal field crops for 1924 was 56,164,767 acres, as compared with 55,310,092 acres in 1923. Wheat occupied 22,504,658 acres; fall wheat a harvested area of 773,945 acres; and spring wheat 21,730,713 acres. The area sown to oats was 14,480,568 acres; to rye 890,652 acres; and to flaxseed 1,275,314 acres.

Who Is Boss?

Who bosses the world, man or woman? was the subject of debate recently. The answer seems to be that man bosses the world but that woman bosses the man.—Woodstock Sentinel-Review.

The streets of Seattle, Washington, placed end to end would reach from that city to San Diego, California.

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WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

Steamship rates to Canada from British, Scandinavian and continental ports were raised recently, the amounts varying from $15 to $10.

The former Dowager Empress of Russia, Marie Feodorovna is seriously ill at her chateau near Copenhagen, suffering from heart trouble.

The net gain in the population of Australia from immigration during July, August and September, 1924, was 10,000.

The city council of Dresden, Germany, has passed a resolution to provide free burials for its citizens. The motion was introduced by Communists.

To teach wives and servants the uses of electricity in the home, a Women's Electrical Association has been formed in London.

Seven women law students were called to the English bar on call night. These bring the number of women barristers to 41.

Dispatches from Cairo says another of the alleged assassins of Sir Lee Stack has been arrested by the police. Twenty students and officers are held by the authorities have been released.

One-fifth of all fatalities by accident in the United States in 1923 were caused by automobile accidents, according to figures made public by the census bureau.

Word has been received in Toronto that Bishop Fallon, of London, Ont., will be the spiritual director of the Pilgrimage to Rome which the Roman Catholics have been invited to make from Canada next year.

The ..... legislature has passed a vote of $20,000 for immigration purposes, the money being required principally to cover the cost of bringing 50 Hebridean fishermen to the west coast of Vancouver Island.

The Wealth Of A Nation

Farming Is the Basic Strength of Any Country

For a long time it has been the fashion to refer to farming as the basic industry of the country, and, yet, when emergencies have arisen to treat it as the Cinderella of the industrial family. The main reason for this attitude of neglect has been the inability or disinclination of politicians to recognize the intimate connection between the nation's security and the nation's supply of home-grown food, between the decay of arable farming and the growth of unemployment.—London Times.

Increases Vancouver's Population

Annexation of the municipality of South Vancouver to the city, which is in prospect as the result of the citizens voting favorably thereon, will add 40,000 to the city's population of 125,000, making a total of 165,000 within the city limits.

In the English navy in olden times when a ship captain wished to discharge his crew, he had to give them notice of his intention by taking away the tablecloth three meals in succession.

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PILLS
FOR ALL KIDNEY DISEASES
RHEUMATISM
BRIGHT'S DISEASE BACKACHE
DIABETES
NUMBER 4087 THE PROPRIETORS

Aberdeen Angus Stock Capture Prizes

McGregor-Bred Cattle Big Winners at the Recent International

At the recent Chicago International Exposition, the records show that there were twelve Aberdeen Angus animals exhibited from the Glencarnock farms herd of James D. McGregor, of Brandon. These animals were all under two years of age and were bred by Mr. McGregor and calved on Glencarnock Stock Farms. They were sold last spring to Mr. H. O. Harrison, of San Francisco, California, and Hartley Stock Farms, Page, North Dakota, and were exhibited by these two breeders at the international at Chicago.

These animals won in their respective classes six first prizes, three second prizes, two third prizes and one fourth prize. Taking into consideration the fact that the Aberdeen Angus exhibit this year was, by far, the strongest ever shown, there being twenty-five to thirty-five animals in each class, this probably constitutes a record win for this big string of animals all originating from one herd. As well as winning individually the above mentioned prizes in their respective classes, they also won first for group of three bulls and first and third for junior herd.

It is interesting to note that these animals were all sons and daughters of the world-famous Blackcap Revolution, the grand champion Aberdeen Angus bull at the Chicago International last year, when shown by Mr. McGregor and sold by him for $15,000 cash during the week of the fair.

While Blackcap Revolution has already distinguished himself as an outstanding show animal, his success as a sire is fast becoming fully as noteworthy, as is evidenced in the high honors awarded these animals from the Glencarnock Farms herd at the 1924 Chicago International Exposition and also at all the leading American and Canadian fairs held during the summer and fall.

Another Mammoth Airship

U.S. Plans One Much Larger Than Any Yet Built

United States navy air experts have disclosed to congress plans for a 6,000,000 cubic feet capacity airship, which would dwarf the 2,600,000 capacity Los Angeles, and be much larger than the two new 5,000,000 capacity ships ordered by the British Government for commercial use between England and Australia.

The proposed liner, Admiral Moffatt said, would be 785 feet in length, compared to the 658 feet Los Angeles, have a larger diameter of 122 feet, compared to the 90-foot girth of the German-built craft, have 2,000 maximum horsepower, compared to 1,650 for the Los Angeles, and have a gross lift of 154 tons, compared with that of 67 tons of the Los Angeles. The cruising radius of the big ship would be 7,150 nautical miles without refueling.

Allenby Receives Threatening Letter

Dispatch Says Communication Was Signed "The Black Hand"

Viscount Allenby, British high commissioner for Egypt, received a letter threatening his life and signed "The Black Hand," before leaving Cairo for his visit to Alexandria, says a dispatch to the Daily Mail.

The Daily Telegraph's Cairo correspondent reports that a great majority of the British and other foreign officials have decided to exercise their option and quit the Egyptian service next April.

For Frost Bites and Chilblains.—Chilblains come from undue exposure to slush and cold and frost-bite from the icy winds of winter. In the treatment of either an external preparation is Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, as it counteracts the inflammation and relieves the pain. The application of the oil is prompt and its application is extremely simple.

Canada's Gold Production

Will Over-top Total Production In U.S. In 1924 Is Prediction

Hon. Charles McCrea, minister of mines for Ontario, estimated the output from the mines of the province this year at from between $74,000,000 and $75,000,000. He laid particular stress on the increase in gold production and stated that by 1928 Ontario was expected to over-top the total production of the United States.

Pilgrims To Ste. Anne

Official figures given out by the Quebec Power Company show that 285,000 pilgrims from all parts of Canada and the United States visited the Ste. Anne de Beaupre shrine during the year.

"How do you find marriage?"

"During courtship I talked and she listened. After marriage she talked and I listened. Now we both talk and the neighbors listen."

Keep Minard's Liniment in the House

A CHRISTMAS WISH

I wish to you the season's joy,
And "Merry Christmas" cry;
I wish that peace may fall on you
As snowflakes from the sky—
And when the winter storms shall rage
That you may harbor find;
Well sheltered by the blazing logs,
Safe from the stinging wind.
I wish for you this Christmas Day
That all that earth may hold,
Of joy, and happiness and love
Before you may unfold—
And that throughout the coming days
That tell of the new year,
You'll find each day is marked for you
With some of Christmas cheer,
And so the Merry Christmas that
I wish for you today,
Shall scatter peace and sunshine
Through the seasons, in your way.

Soviets Are Peeved

Send Caustic Note to United States Over Siberian Matter

Because the United States Coastguard vessel Bear in 1920 affixed a brass plate to a rock on the Chukotch Peninsula in Emma Bay, Cape Pasino, in Siberia, near Behring Strait, bearing the inscription, "United States Geodetic Magnetic Station," with the warning: "For disturbing this plate, $250 fine or imprisonment," George Tchitcherin, Soviet minister for foreign affairs, has sent a caustic note to Secretary of State Hughes at Washington.

M. Tchitcherin asserted that the discovery of the plate shows that magnetic observations had been carried out in 1920 and subsequent years by the Bear.

"I must emphasize that the erection of the foregoing plate and the threat to Soviet citizens, inscribed on it, constitute a gross violation of the sovereignty of the Soviet Republics," the note said. "I am obliged to notify you that such violation of the legitimate rights of the union of Soviet Republics, if repeated, will be sternly repressed by the Soviet Government."

Would Fix Wheat Prices

Suggestion That a Minimum Price Be Fixed For Grain Shipped to Britain

Premier Baldwin in an introduction to a book written by an Australian resident in London, St. Clair Grondona, concerning co-operation between the Motherland and the Dominions in food production, declares that the enormous facts set out in the book may have more far-reaching effects than the author imagines.

The book suggests that an agreement should be entered into by the British Government with the Governments of the Dominions for the fixing of a minimum price for Empire-grown wheat over, say, a period of five years. If a surplus of wheat were kept in the British national granaries the writer says, such reserves would be as valuable to the Empire as battleships.

The general aim should be stabilization of the wheat market, Grondona says in his book, and it is not likely that foreign distributors would be able to wreck such an imperial pool.

These Degenerate Times

Annual Theft Loss In U.S. Runs Into Billions

Three billion five hundred million dollars are annually subtracted surreptitiously from the cash boxes of the United States, the thefts being mostly committed by young men. Young men annually commit ten thousand murders in the United States, according to Eugene S. Camp, a director of the American board of applied christianity.

Mr. Camp made these statements in announcing at a recent public meeting in New York the establishment of a new school under the auspices of the board of applied christianity, to be known as the "Serbon." The school will attempt to "carry christianity into the work-a-day world," Mr. Camp said. It will be variously located in idle halls of schools and churches.

Mr. Camp said that all the churches were backing the idea and that it had been endorsed by many notabilities.

Corns are caused by the pressure of tight boots, but no one need be troubled with them long when so simple a remedy as Holloway's Corn Remover is available.

Preparing Entertainment For Prince

Great preparations are being made in South Africa for the coming visit of the Prince of Wales.

It is arranged to have a big game shoot in the Rhodesia, lion area, while arrangements already are in hand for big state balls and tremendous native demonstrations by Zulus, anxious to welcome the "great chief."

Contentment comes only to those who want but little and are satisfied with less.

Do not catch cold—take
SCOTT'S
EMULSION

Success With Alfalfa

By James D. McGregor, Glencarnock Stock Farms, Brandon, Manitoba
(Part 3—Continued)

When seeding alfalfa, sow from twelve to fifteen pounds of alfalfa seed to the acre and use a grass seeder attachment on your grain drill. We have found that this is the most satisfactory way as the seed is then evenly distributed. Sowing broadcast and harrowing may succeed if there is plenty of moisture. Mixing the grain in the seeder box usually results in an uneven stand.

The depth of seeding depends somewhat on the character of the soil; the lighter the soil the deeper the seed may be planted without danger of its being hindered too greatly in reaching the surface. It is best to plant as shallow as possible, and have the seed in moist soil. Seed covered more than 1½ inches is very slow in reaching the surface, and may not do so. This is as long as the alfalfa sprout seems to be capable of growing from the seed. There is little danger in seeding even this depth, for a heavy rain may come and pack the soil to such an extent that the alfalfa will be unable to push through.

We have noticed that where sweet clover was sown and plowed under, and the land then seeded to alfalfa, the alfalfa succeeded exceptionally well. Sweet clover grows more vigorously than alfalfa, and the rootlets being more tender the bacteria are able to grow on them with greater ease than on alfalfa. We have observed on our farms that where alfalfa and sweet clover were sown together without cultivation, and later the plants dug up, the sweet clover would show an abundance of tubercles, while the alfalfa showed practically none. Where alfalfa has never been grown, sweet clover may be used as a preparation for alfalfa. Alfalfa and sweet clover may be seeded together. The frequent cutting prevents the sweet clover from seeding, so that there would be very little of it appearing the second year.

If alfalfa is seeded without a nurse crop the mower must be used every two to four weeks. If alfalfa is not mowed often, it grows tall and spindling, often tries to bloom and produce seed, turns yellow and dies. Mowing about every four weeks prevents this, and the strength of the plant is used in root growth, instead of trying to bloom and produce seed. This is one of the imperatives of success. Under favorable conditions the alfalfa may make sufficient growth to warrant saving for hay, and it should be cut before blooming. If the growth would promise the alfalfa it should be raked and hauled off, ordinarily the clipping may be left on the field.

(To be continued)

Canada's Population

Has Increased By Nearly Half a Million Since Last Census

Canada's population has increased by nearly half a million since the last census was taken in 1921, according to an estimate of the Dominion bureau of statistics, which shows an increase in every province except Prince Edward Island where there has been a decline of 900. The estimated population of 1924 is 9,226,740, as compared with the 1921 census population of 8,788,483.

For Burns and Scalds.—Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil will take the fire out of a burn or scald. It should be at hand in every kitchen so that it may be available at any time. There is no preparation required. Just apply the oil to the burn or scald and the pain will abate and in a short time cease altogether.

Profited By the Change

It sometimes happens that the shoemaker can do better by not sticking to his last. J. C. Mitchell, the man who was awarded first prize for the best exhibit of wheat at the Chicago show, is a Saskatchewan farmer who used to be a Manchester cotton operative.—Hamilton Herald.

No. 1 Hard Brings High Price

For the first time in about four years a carload of No. 1 Hard Spring wheat brought $2 a bushel in the pit at Minneapolis recently. The shipment was exceedingly high in protein content, it was said at the chamber of commerce, and at this price sold 29 cents above the December future.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

DECEMBER 28

REVIEW: CENTRAL PERIOD OF CHRIST'S MINISTRY

Golden Text: He that hath seen me hath seen the Father. John 14.9.

Devotional Reading: Matthew 25.31-36.

Jesus called unto Himself twelve disciples: Peter and Andrew, James and John, Philip and Bartholomew, Thomas and Matthew, James the son of Alphaus and Thaddaeus, Simon the Cananean and Judas. "Ye did not choose me" said Jesus to them afterward, "but I chose you, and appointed you, that ye should go and bear fruit." They were to company with Jesus to learn three supreme things: to hear what Jesus said, or to master his teachings; to see what Jesus did, or to become familiar with his programme; to learn what Jesus is, or to become acquainted with himself. This knowledge must bear fruit in their threefold mission: "to proclaim and interpret the Master's teaching to the world; to continue and fulfill the Master's purpose in the world; to reveal the Master's character to the world. The training of The Twelve was a part of the plan for the saving of the world. The Master gave them the 'lion's share' of his attention, but not for their sakes. He gave them more than half his teachings, the best of his energy, and the most of His time. These were not more important than the others, any more than we are. They were only important for the others. He would have been glad to have better men. He would still be glad. But he was glad to have such as they were and he is glad to have such as we are. They were not a glorious company when they came to Him. They were not much more than an average group, in spite of the two or three conspicuous ones, but as Whittier says:

'They touched his garment's fold, and soon
The Heavenly Alchemist transformed their very dust to gold.'

They went with Him, they stayed with Him, they learned of Him. Long afterwards men took knowledge of them that they had been with Him."

Bovine Tuberculosis

Western Canada Livestock Union Wants Fight Against Disease to Be Carried On

Members of the Western Canada Livestock Union at their annual convention at Calgary, passed a resolution calling upon the federal department of agriculture to secure the support and co-operation of the research council of Canada in the fight against bovine tuberculosis which they declared was seriously menacing the livestock population of Canada. The meeting also passed a resolution endorsing the policy of health of animals branch in respect to the accredited herd system, and asked that the research work now being conducted by the department be continued.

George H. Hutton, Calgary, was re-elected president and the vice-presidents of the four provinces were elected as follows: Alex. Davies, of Ladner, B.C.; J. L. Walters, Lacombe, Alta.; R. A. Wright, Drinkwater, Sask.; and George Lake, Oak Lake, Man.

Debt Funding

Britain Makes Payment to U.S. For First Time Without Liberty Bonds

For the first time since Great Britain's debt funding agreement with the United States has been in operation, payment of the semi-annual instalment of $91,655,000, applicable to principal and interest, was made recently without the use of liberty bonds. J. P. Morgan and Company, fiscal agents of the British Government, made the payment to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Of Great Britain's payment, $23,000,000 was applied to principal and $68,655,000 to interest. The use of Liberty bonds in lieu of cash was prevented by the premiums which the obligations have been able to command this year.

Paying Canada's Coal Bill

Seventy Million Dollars Paid Out Last Year

One of the largest accounts which Canada has to pay is her coal bill, says the Natural Resources Intelligence Service of the Department of the Interior. Last year this amounted to over seventy million dollars. To pay this required the total exports of gold, silver, nickel, copper, zinc and lead. Canada has plenty of coal, but it is situated unfortunately in the eastern and western portions of the country. It is hoped that efforts to make this coal available in Central Canada will be successful.

Gold to the extent of $80,000,000 is used every year in the arts. This is made into jewelry, gilding, used for filling teeth, and other similar purposes.

Canada's Potato Yield

Canada's total potato yield for 1924 is estimated at 58,069,000 cwt., as compared with 56,497,000 cwt. for the last year.

Minard's Liniment Used by Physicians

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Another Wireless Wonder

Powerful Machinery Installed At Wembley Controlled From Manchester

Wonderful possibilities connected with the application of wireless to everyday modern life were brought nearer to realization by a fascinating demonstration the other day. By the pressing of a button in Manchester powerful machinery was started at Wembley, and by the same means it was made to stop working.

Many devices that will exercise a revolutionary effect upon modern life, particularly in the household, are now brought nearer to actual being.

One may, for instance, look forward to the time when there will be no need to install a wiring system in houses to operate electric bells. This is an idea to which experts are at present devoting attention. Recently startling experiments in the successful wireless control of ships were reported from Rome.

X-ray Apparatus Uses High Voltage

Institutions Provided With Special Installation to Prevent Accidents

Accidents when operating x-ray apparatus are by no means unknown. The voltage used is about 100,000. Two years ago a French physician was killed by shock at a hospital near Paris, through coming into contact with the wires carrying the high-tension current to the X-ray tube. Safety rules were recently published by the Roentgen Society of Great Britain, and today practically modern x-ray institutions are provided with special forms of installation in which the danger of accident is negligible.

One of the commonest complaints of infants is worms, and the most effective application for them is Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator.

British Expenditure High

Three Times French Cost For Taking Care of War Dead

During a discussion in the French Chamber of Deputies on the pensions budget in which an appropriation of 900,000 francs for the transfer of the bodies of soldiers and civilians killed in the war was listed, figures were cited to show that the British expenditure for assembling the war dead in cemeteries and transferring bodies from small cemeteries to larger ones, had averaged three times the French cost for the same work.

Must Consult Parliament

Australia's contribution toward the cost of establishing a naval base at Singapore, whatever amount may be agreed upon, must first be considered by the Commonwealth Parliament before any definite decision thereon is arrived at, states Premier S. M. Bruce.

A famous scientist says that within the earth is a large wave that moves around the planet once every 8,800 years. The wave slightly moves the position of the earth's axis and poles, resulting in climatic changes.

The Old Gent: "Boy, am I all right for the Zoo?"

The Boy: "You look all right to me, mister; but I ain't runnin' it."

INVENTIONS On Farm Implements

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About Town and Country

Mrs. Western Ostrander, who left for Calgary last Sunday returned to Oyen yesterday.

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Miss D. S. Dunford of Calgary is spendind the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. C.L. Dunford.

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P. H. Peterson of Wakaw, Sask., arrived in Oyen on Sunday, and will spend the winter here.

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J. W. Snell who has been spendind the past four weeks in Calgary, returned to Oyen last Friday.

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Mr. W. Irvine, principal of Oyen School, left this morning for Calgary where he will spend Christmas and New Year holidays.

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School broke up yesterday for the Christmas and New holidays and will re-open for the new term Monday January 5 1925.

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Jack Aylesworth, who has been attending University at Edmonton, returned to Oyen yesterday, to spend the Christmas and New Year holidays with his parents.

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EXCEL ITEMS

Mr. Shuttleworth's dance was a great success.

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Mr. J. J. Gainer recently made a business trip to Calgary.

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Mr. and Mrs. Howard Munroe were Excel visitors last Sunday.

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Excel School closed yesterday for the holidays; to re-open on Monday, January 5.

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Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Stephenson and family spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Audibert.

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Mrs. Guy Wilson who has recently been under the doctor's care, is now able to be about again.

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Mr. E. Gullekson moved last week with his family to Calgary, where he has an interest in a garage.

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Mr. Tom Hove expects to move his family in from the country in the course of the next few days.

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The Excel Christmas Tree entertainment was held last night when an enjoyable time was spent by young and old.

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Miss McArthur, teacher at Farming Valley School, had the misfortune to freeze her feet quite badly while going to school Tuesday, last week.

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Dont forget the card party on Monday, December 29 and the dance on New Year's Eve. Everybody come.

A. Lockart left this morning for Drumheller where he will spend Christmas.

A Christmas Cantata entitled "Santaland" was given in the Union Church last Thursday, followed by a Christmas Tree for the children. The entertainment was a success in every way and was well attended. Great credit is due to those in charge.

READ THE ADS.

In Memoriam

In memory of Oliver S. Affleck who died December 24, 1923.

In our hearts your memory lingers
Sweetly tender, fond and true,
There is not one day dear Oliver,
That I do not think of you.
It's sweet to think we'll meet again
Where sorrows are no more;
And that those we love so dear
Have just gone before.

—Mother.

In this issue of the News, a new novel commences; by Rafael Sabatini (page 6). This novel in book form would cost our suberibers $2.00. Start today and enjoy it in your home paper. Tell your friends about it.

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A welcome relief to the extreme cold came on Monday, when the thermometer rose 20 above zero, (12 degrees of frost) but this almost spring-like weather did not last. By evening the temperture dropped a few degrees below zero, and a snowfall accompanied by a stiff breeze, caused trouble on the railway. Once again however the efficiency of the sevice was shown, and by 8.30 yesterday morning, both trains had passed through.

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Miss Lulu Bishop left this morning for Calgary where she will spend the holidays.

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Miss Agnes Laidlaw left this morning for Delia where she will spend the holidays.

NOTICE

Pay your Village and School District Taxes before December 31, and get a 5 per cent discount, as well as saving a 5 per cent penalty which will be added January 1.

Curlers Will Have 'Spiel Christmas Day

A knock-out competition will be held on Christmas Day at the curling rink, games in which are scheduled at 10.00 a.m., 1.00 p.m., 3.30 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. The competition will be concluded on New Year's Day. All rinks will compete.

Say you saw it in the News.

In Lighter Vein

Our town cynic thinks that all wedding anniversaries should be ivory—or else wooden.

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The Benton woman who claims she has a perfect husband can't get her name in our paper with snch foolishness.

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Do you have any trouble paying your bills?

No, the trouble comes when I don't pay them.

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There are but three bits of architecture distinctly American. The Colonial House,—The Skyscraper—and the Filling Station.

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Yes, mused the Arctic explorer, at one time, we came within an ace of freezing to death. Luckily however,—he gazed thoughtfully at the ceiling—we had the presence of mind to fall into a heated discussion.

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Judge—Have you good grounds against this man for your breach of promise suit?

Liza—'Deed Ah has! Ah promised maself to marry dat man, an' he ain't nevah asked me to.

Seasons Greetings

To my Patrons And the residents of Oyen and District I extend my Best Wishes for A Merry Christmas And A Happy New Year

J. H. Quinn
Independent Grain Dealer

Hullo Everybody! This is
CHARLES SNYDER
THE IMPLEMENT MAN
on the line to wish one and all
A Merry Christmas

Seasons Greetings

The Holiday Season is here again and all are enthused with the spirit of the day.

For over eleven years we have tried to look after your needs the very best we knew how.

Faces have become familiar and now we wish one and all A Merry Christmas and Many more Happy New Years.

Geo. A. Morrison
Chemist and Druggist Oyen, Alberta

We wish to extend Heartiest Christmas Greetings and Best Wishes for a Prosperous and Happy New Year To All

Oyen Billiard Hall
Arch'd Johnston, Proprietor

The Management of The Alberta Hotel wishes one and all The Complements of the Season